The Silent Worker

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The Editor's Page

Don't Let It Happen Here

We have just read Ted Griffing's report on his trip to Europe as the representative of American deaf teachers at the congress in Manchester. It appears in this issue, and it is to be hoped it will be read by people in other parts of the world.

After reading the article we had the feeling that we had been walking with Griffing over a vast area that had been swept by a tidal wave, and all the eye could see was utter desolation. Where happy people had dwelt, there was nothing left but waste and ruin.

That was the feeling left with us by Griffing's view of the field of education of the deaf in England and in Europe. Over there the wild theories of educational fanatics have been accepted, and the result is that the deaf as a class have been reduced almost to a state of helplessness. They have lost their independence and the privilege of an education. Restricted to a rigid oral atmosphere on the theory that they can be made to act like hearing people and turned out of school at the age of sixteen, most deaf persons enter adult life dependent upon the helping hand of friends and benefactors. Their only means of communication is an elaborate mouthing of words they have been taught to form with their lips, which come from the lips only, rather than from an educated mind.

The sign language has been squelched and destroyed, and in its place they have a hodgepodge system of gestures which they have been forced to invent to make up for the inadequacies of their oral gymnastics. Because the deaf of one locality devise their own gestures, they are unable to converse with those of another locality. Because of their lack of a sound education and vocational training, they have been reduced to a standard of living below that of average citizens.

It has been written somewhere that if the deaf were restrictd to rigid oral methods in school and communication in the sign language denied them, many of them would become little more than gibbering nomads. That is what the educational system is making of many of the deaf in England and Europe, and the sad part of it all is that the ministries of education and supposedly enlightened individuals responsible for education seem content to permit such degeneration among an

intelligent and capable class of people.

What has happened in England and in Europe can happen in America, where we are so proud of the great advances made by the deaf. We have people in America preaching the same theories as those which prevail in Europe. Give them a free hand and we shall see the same degeneration among the deaf here that has come to the deaf over there. Don't let that happen here!-BBB.

A New Editor

With this issue of THE SILENT WORKER a new Editor takes charge. He is Jess M. Smith of Knoxville, Tennessee.

Since publication of the magazine was transferred to the Tennessee School for the Deaf, Mr. Smith, First Vice President of the N.A.D., has been the N.A.D. official in charge of preparing material, working in close cooperation with Mr. Uriel C. Jones, Vocational Principal of the Tennessee School and director of publication of THE SILENT WORKER. As the months wore on, Mr. Smith has assumed increasing responsibilities, relieving the editor of much of the load, and he has now agreed to assume the editorship.

Mr. Smith is qualified by years of training and practice in the editorial field. He is a graduate of the University of Tennessee, where he took courses in journalism, and where he was sports editor and editor-in-chief of the semiweekly newspaper published by the University. He is the only deaf person ever to serve in such an important capacity on a publication of a state university. He later worked on the copy desk of a Knoxville daily. He has been on the staff of his alma mater, the Tennessee School, for seventeen years as a teacher of English, and he has written frequent articles for The Tennessee Observer, the Tennessee School periodical. At the Cincinnati convention of the N.A.D., Mr. Smith was elected Second Vice President, and at St. Louis he was named First Vice President. He has been one of the most active members of the N.A.D. official staff.

As retiring Editor, we welcome Mr. Smith with great joy. We assumed this post in 1951 as a temporary fill-in until we could appoint a new editor, and we have occupied the sanctum far too long. Presiding over the N.A.D. and editing its publication is too huge a task for one man to handle, and we an grateful that we have been able to fin such a capable successor as Mr. Smith We hope our staff members, come spondents, helpers, and readers will give Mr. Smith the same cooperation and encouragement we have received through all these years.-BBB.

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Gallaudet College Dramatics Enjoy Boom

Student Productions of Oedipus and Hamlet Smashing Successes:

Chapel Hall Becomes Realistic Theatre

By RONALD SUTCLIFFE

ALLAUDET COLLEGE, the world's only college for the deaf, has a Dramatic Club which endeavors to create student interest in the production of plays. With training, the deaf can become excellent actors. They can master all the techniques for the projection of characters except vocal techniques and lose nothing through the absence of speech since their visual language, to a deaf audience, can carry all the information and emotional overtones of a spoken language. Moreover, only through deaf actors using the sign language does a deaf audience have access to living drama in a language it can immediately understand-accounting, no doubt, for the popularity of dramatics at Gallaudet College.

The Dramatics Club was founded in 1892 and was in continuous existence up to the recent productions under the direction of the late Prof. Frederick Hughes. On the side, the Kappa Gamma Fraternity and the Phi Kappa Zeta (OWLS) Sorority presented their own plays annually and often served as a means of uncovering new talent. However, just as often, they led to monopolizing of talent. This is the reason why the Dramatic Club underwent a drastic reorganization in the winter of 1956. Similarly, the Gallaudet stage

had never witnessed any Greek play, the parent of Western drama, until 1957.

The idea of presenting a Greek play on Gallaudet's stage arose when Mr. Leonard Siger, an assistant professor of English just brought from Johns-Hopkins University, sent the freshman class of 1960 to a performance of the Oresteia, a trilogy of Greek tragedies, produced by the Catholic University in the fall of 1956. The freshmen immediately decided to stage a Greek play as their class project. However, the faculty was quick to cool off their enthusiasm because such a production would require more technical competence than the freshman class possessed. But Mr. Robert Panara, also an assistant professor of English, and Mr. Siger thought that the play could be produced if the whole college were to cooperate in the effort. They spoke to Dr. George Detmold, dean of Gallaudet College and an experienced director who has directed his own community dramatic company for years. He also was interested in the idea because he felt that there would not be much difficulty in directing an all deaf cast than in directing hearing groups.

So the three faculty members asked

OUR COVER PICTURE

"To be or not to be . . ." soliloquizes Hamlet, played by Howard Palmer, atop the castle platform, 25 feet above Chapel Hall floor. Behind him is the Danish flag.

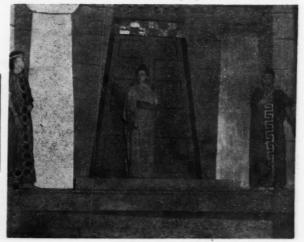
the Dramatic Club to meet with other interested students for a discussion of merging all play productions in the Dramatic Club, with the understanding that the Club would decide on types of plays and number of productions. The Dean also promised a course in play production to develop the students' skills in acting, make-up, and staging before they went to teach in the schools for the deaf, so that they could direct plays there and spread enthusiasm for drama.

The Dramatic Club and other organizations then giving plays approved the proposal. The two honor societies discontinued their annual plays. The Club chose *Oedipus the King* as its next play and asked Dr. Detmold to direct it.

Mr. Panara, who is deaf himself and a Gallaudet graduate, and Mr. Siger then rolled up their sleeves and started work on a translation of *Oedipus* the King into sign language, without any reliance on finger spelling. (*Oedi-*

Left: After the death of her father, Polonius, Ophelia became insane, and fails to recognize her brother, Laertes, Far behind Ophelia is Horatio, and the sympathetic Queen watches behind Laertes. Right: The three chief actors in OEDIPUS THE KING—Creon, Queen Jocasta, and Oedipus. Oedipus susepcts that Creon is trying to steal his crown.



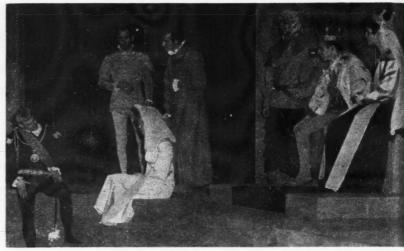


pus the King has been translated into many languages but only lately into sign language.)

The departments of Art and Home Economics, with the cooperation of Mrs. Elva Loe and Mrs. Edith Hill, designed and made the costumes and stage set. The College Shop, with the help of student volunteers, transformed the original small stage in Chapel Hall into a typical Greek stage of old. Two hundred-seat bleachers were substituted for the Chapel seats. Thus, Chapel Hall gave the effect of an ancient Greek amphitheatre. New lights were installed to light the apron and platforms built on the auditorium floor where most of the action was to take place.

Oral interpretation for hearing persons in the audience was another problem that needed to be solved. At first, it was decided to use a tape recording, with twelve persons speaking the individual acting roles. At the final rehearsal, however, the first recording failed because the actors went so fast that a woman's voice was heard while a male actor was delivering the lines! So, Mr. Siger volunteered to interpret all the acting roles throughout the three performances. Thereafter, he became known as the "man with 10,000 voices,"

Howard Palmer, '59, now three-time winner of the annual "Oscar" or best actor award, took the leading role of Oedipus, and made the audiences sit spellbound throughout the play. His realistic make-up as the blinded and blood-stained Oedipus was so shocking to the audiences that their inner thoughts could be expressed only by the chorus of the townspeople and suppliants who took a most important part in the play.



"May I sit on your lap, Ophelia?" says Hamlet teasingly while her father, Polonius, looks on (upper second from left). Besides Polonius is Osric on left; and a soldier, King Claudius, and the Queen on right.

The chief protagonists were Beatrice Burke (nee Maestas), '58, as Queen Jocasta; Richard Nicolai, '58, as Creon; Paul Cantwell, '59, as Teiresias; Arthur Weileman, '60, as the messenger; George Johnston, '60, as the shepherd; and Joyce Jacobson, '59, and Ruth Sussman (nee Baird), '57, as the Women of the Palace. These two women of the palace almost stole the show by their rhythmical pantomime during the scene when they announced the suicide of Queen Jocasta and the blinding of Oedipus.

Led by the Priest of Zeus, Morton Bayarsky, '60, the chorus provided the commentary between episodes. With out any finger spelling, they signed so dramatically individually and in unison that their graceful harmonies held the audiences spellbound. Many words, such as "Oedipus," "Zeus,"

"Apollo," and "Thebes," were invented for sign language. At the conclusion the chorus sang a last commentary on the ill-fated career of Oedipus:

O all ye people in our fair city of

Look-see Oedipus-the king who found the secret of many difficult things, and was a master of all things.

All men once envied him-but see him now-overcome and drowned by the sea of troubles.

All happy men will fall into sorrow if they continue alive;

No man is happy unless he is still happy when he meets his last day.

Approximately five hundred persons attended the three performances of this play. Many faculty members in the audience said it was the "best Oedipus I ever saw." The alumni were greatly impressed by the elimination of finger spelling. Almost everyone immediately began clamoring for more classical plays under similar conditions. Indeed, no one ever complained about sitting "in the bleachers" for hours, since they actually had a clear view of the entire play.

Because of the demand for classical productions on the Gallaudet stage, the Dramatics Club agreed with Dr. Detmold that it should next present Shakespeare's Hamlet, the most complex tragedy in all the history of

"The King planned this . . ." groans Laertes as he accuses Claudius. Queen, lying on steps, has just been murdered by the poisonous wine. Behind Hamlet is Osric, the umpire of the fencing duel, while the court nobility express their sorrow.





The top three men of the production: Leonard Seger, reader and co-translator; Dr. George Detmold, director; and Robert Panara, co-translator, watch with critical eyes at a dress rehearsal.

drama. Additional lighting equipment was purchased. Bigger bleachers, holding 275 persons, were rented. A bigger stage—using the apron and auditorium floor—was built. Of course, it was not strictly Shakespeare's theatre, but the style was Shakespearean because there were many acting areas permitting scene changes with no pause in the action.

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Profs. Panara and Siger again translated the original play into the sign language. Even before rehearsals started, ambitious Howard Palmer, a psychology major, wrote a 15-page term paper on the character of Hamlet. Naturally, he was chosen for the role of the Melancholy Dane. His range of feeling projected the complex character of Hamlet very effectively, showing all of Hamlet's hesitation, passion, despair, idealism, wit, and cruelty.

Morton Bayarsky, as the Ghost of Hamlet's dead father; George Johnston, as King Claudius; Joyce Jacobson, as the weak-willed Queen; Paul Cantwell, as the meddlesome Polonius; and Carolyn Bateman, '60, as Ophelia, were remarkable performers in a cast strong throughout. The pathos of Carolyn Bateman's performance particularly enthralled the audiences. As a reward for her outstanding characterization, she later received an "Oscar" as the best actress, and both Paul Cantwell and Joyce Jacobson were similarly honored for the best supporting roles.

The play itself had various changes in mood, such as when Arthur Weileman, as the grave digger, spoke humorously to Hamlet, while he was digging Ophelia's grave. Then the soldiers carried in the dead body of Ophelia, while a larger group of people representing mourners at the funeral were massed on the stage. This caused Hamlet to fly into anger, and the scene broke out into violence. A moment later, Larry Applebee, '61, as Osric, with laughable femininity, "challenged" Hamlet to a fencing duel with Laertes, portrayed by Richard Nicolai. The audience laughed at him until tears began flowing, and more came when he fell realistically down the stairs (while the audience thought it was an accident). Then the whole tempo of the play picked up momentum as the exciting dueling scene began, ending in the death of Laertes, the Queen, King Claudius, and finally Hamlet. The end came with stunning sadness as Horatio, acted by Ray Parks, '60, spoke the expressive tribute to his fallen friend:

"Now his noble heart stops beating —Good night, sweet Prince, and may the heavenly angels accompany you to your long sleep."

Overflowing crowds of 750 people attended this play during three successive nights. It was witnessed by distinguished persons in the Washington area, among whom was the noted novelist, John Dos Passos, who was much impressed, particularly by the beauty and expressiveness of the sign language. Part of this play was shown on Dave Garroway's daily program, telecast nation-wide on the NBC-TV. Piles of favorable letters of comments soon swamped Director Detmold's desk. The interested alumni, Mr. Leonard Auerbach and Mr. Panara, filmed

Hamlet in black and white, and added titles—the movie being now available to clubs and schools for the deaf. Oedipus the King (in color) is also available—each at a modest rental fee—the proceeds going to the Dramatics Club Movie Fund.

Plans for the next production—Shakespeare's Othello—are now being formed. Mr. Panara and Mr. Siger have already completed their translation of the play into sign language, and Dean Detmold is eager to start casting. Howard Palmer is now working on the staging of Othello in an Elizabethan theatre as a class project—and without doubt, he shall be Othello in this play! The date for the play has been set for April 16, 17, and 18, at Gallaudet College.

Since these dramatics productions on the Gallaudet stage are beginning to grow larger, Gilbert Eastman, '57, was recently appointed as Instructor in Dramatics. He-is now doing graduate work in drama at the Catholic University, and he will serve as stage manager for Othello. Plans for a new auditorium are now underway, and it is hoped that construction will start next summer. When the Dramatics Club finally has the kind of stage that it deserves, there is no telling how far it will go in this extra-curricular activity which, even now, threatens to become more popular than football. As Shakespeare wisely said, "The play's the thing."

(Ronald Sutcliffe, a senior at Gallaudet College, wrote the above article as a class project in English under the direction of Mr. Robert Panara, an associate professor of English.)



The women of the palace rhythmically narrate the suicide of Queen Jocasta and blinding of Oedipus.

Canada's Lone Deaf Postman Retires

By DAVID PEIKOFF

HENRY FORD WAS ONCE asked why he didn't retire and make the most of life. "That would be a sin," he answered. "An artist does not stop painting simply because he has produced a certain number of pictures or acquired enough money to live on. So long as a man has something to give, he must not stop giving."

That in essence is also the philosophy of Canada's Elder Deaf Statesman, Mr. Robert E. Sowerby of Moncton, N.B. He abhors idleness and because his alma mater, the short-lived New Brunswick School for the Deaf, was taken over in 1907 as a military hospital, he found himself at the age of 13, an educational orphan obliged to seek work and thereafter to fend for himself in the fierce struggle of life. But this early setback taught Robert one thing-to find great joy in incessant toil. Although Robert Sowerby has now reached the respectable age of 65 years, he has no stooping shoulders. His steps continue to be sprightly and his zeal for work remains undiminished, but there is one thing that Robert cannot cope with-the law says that civil servants must retire at 65, so Robert, after having served loyally for 41 years at the Moncton, N.B., Post Office, had to bow to the inevitable and make way for younger shoots. On October 14, 1958, they made much ado over Robert Sowerby and his three cronies. A banquet was tendered in their honor at which time the president of the Moncton Post Office Benevolent Association presented each veteran civil servant with a purse and flattering testimonials. A man of lesser character would have called it a day and become content to drift down the stream of life. Not so with our eager beaver. Already he is trying to figure out how he can bring the wealth of his life experiences to the advantage of humanity. Which reminds us of Voltaire, who replying to his critics accusing him of overworking himself said that "there is sleeping enough in the grave."

Robert Sowerby laments the abrupt closing of his alma mater, something which he realizes was unavoidable. The New Brunswick Government then was as poor as a church mouse and could not afford expensive teachers. Whereas the neighboring provinces of Nova Scotia got \$1,100 per capita, the New Brunswick School got a mere pittance of \$200 per capita. But they had wonderful and dedicated teachers, one of whom, the late Miss Edith Nelson, eventually was appointed to the faculty of Gallaudet College and became its celebrated professor of Latin as well as its librarian. Robert is emphatic in his assertion that he received incalculable help at his school through another deaf teacher and contends that the graduates from this ill-starred school have made their mark in life more numerously than those coming from more prosperous schools. Now facing the prospect of either swimming onward or perishing, Robert at the age of 13 became apprenticed to the largest tailoring establishment in Moncton. This was



ROBERT C. SOWERBY

then the popular trade for the deaf. He might have remained in this field all his life except for the fact that he had too active a mind and an ambition to better his own lot in life. He deplored the paucity of his education and straightway started burning the midnight oil and attending night school.

Soon restlessness overpowered him, and quickly receding into the misty distance was his favorite enthusiasm for the needle and thread industry. He took Civil Service examinations and was surprised when notified that he had passed them. To succeed in a test is one thing, to get a civil service appointment is another. Robert was about to give up hope of getting into the Civil Service when one day he was notified to report to the local post office. Great was his surprise in being offered a position as a letter carrier. A deadline of 24 hours was given him to accept or reject the job. Others were waiting to step in if he were to decline the opportune offer. Robert had the worst case of insomnia that night as he tossed in his bed while his mind grappled with the momentous decision of his life. When morning dawned, his

he tossed in his bed while his mind grappled with the momentous decision of his life. When morning dawned, his Robert C. Sowerby (center) with 41 years of service is shown with fellow postal employees who retired at the same time. They are, left to right, C. B. Steeves (35 years), L. B. Duncan (40 years), R. A. LeBlanc (39 years), and E. W. Grant, president of the Moncton Post Office Benevolent Association, who presented awards.





MRS. ROBERT C. SOWERBY

mind was made up in favor of becoming a permanent civil servant—a decision he had no cause ever to repent.

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Does anyone know of someone anywhere on this planet who has ever been given a chance to serve as a mail carrier despite the handicap of deafness? Robert Sowerby is humbly of the opinion that it was his rare privilege to win that coveted position -aided and abetted, it is true, by the powerful political prestige of Sir William Mulock, that tall, dignified, bewhiskered Postmaster General who later became Canada's Chief Justice and who in 1939 greeted the NFSD quadrennial convention at Royal York Hotel in Toronto with the resounding address of welcome. Mulock it was who shortly before had issued an edict that the deaf must be given an opportunity to serve in any capacity in the Post Office consistent with their capacity to "deliver the goods." However the higher-ups in Ottawa became worried when the fact leaked out to them that they had hired a man with hearing impairment on a route where contacts with hearing people might prove embarrassing. An inspector was dispatched from Montreal to trail Robert Sowerby to see how a totally deaf postman went about his tasks. The report sent to Ottawa put to rest whatever uneasiness had lurked in official minds. Robert continued to deliver mail on his appointed route for one more year before he was transferred to an inside job as a clerk due to constant shifting of duties of civil servants.

Now Robert Sowerby has completed

At the wheel of this 1922 Chevrolet car is Robert C. Sowerby. It was the first of 19 automobiles he has owned.

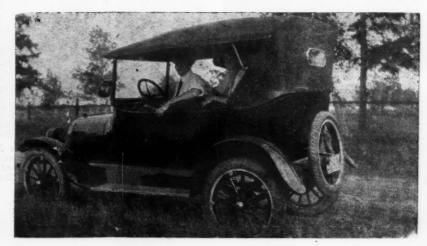
the full cycle of his civil service career embracing 41 years. He always felt he had a special adaption for his own peculiar part in this calling. He mastered all the details-little or big. Nothing was too small which concerned his work. It is customary to hold sortation tests each year at the post office. Robert was always at or near the top after results were made known. Copies seared with age were shown this writer from the Railway Mail Service Examination section of Canada Post Office Department. In 1936 of the seven men competing in tests Robert topped them with a 92 mark. The lowest marks were 75. The next year, out of six competitors, Robert led again with 90 against 80 for the one getting the lowest mark, and in 1938 in a field of seven Robert once more led with 89 as against 70 for the one at the end of the procesing cats parked themselves at 25 Pleassion. These were but a sample of Robert's constantly high examination records throughout his career.

The sage of Moncton had a fling at romance when in 1923 he led his former schoolmate, Miss Rita Brine, down the church aisle to the altar. They have two sons, both of whom are married and living in homes of their own. The older offspring, Harold L. Sowerby, is employed at the Hobb Glass Co. (Canadian Pittsburgh Industries, Ltd.). Harold has three sons. The younger, Robert C., has one son and one daughter. Incidentally as this is being written this younger son is enroute to Hull, Quebec, which lies across the Ottawa River from the Canadian national capital. There Bobby will step into a sinecure as a linotype operator for the Canadian Government Printing House.

Are the Sowerbys interested in pets? Oh, yes. They had different breeds of dogs but being descendants of Methuselah the canines could not keep pace

with the Sowerbys so there are no more familiar sounds of barking around the house. But they have a cat still entrenched in the house. As Robert is wont to say, nobody knows where it came from. It seems the feline was sauntering down Pleasant Street, saw number 25, liked it, and decided to invite itself there as a permanent guest. Several other stray cats have deposited their calling cards at this address where the mistress of the house, who has a heart of gold, puts out feed for them. Although they may belong to the dumb world, these cats possess a miraculous organ for it was not long before a procession of pinched, mewant Street, and their faith in the Sowerbys was never misplaced for they were given sustaining good before they passed on into the alleys.

From the outset of his adult life Robert Sowerby took active part in the welfare work of his fellow men in the Maritimes. Being studious by nature, his mind flowered, and his great ability and capacity were requisitioned by the members of the Maritime Association of the Deaf. He was only 17 when they elected him a director. At the following convention he became vice president, and then he stepped into the highest office for a term before he served for the ensuing 25 years as secretary. The Canadian Association of the Deaf, spotting this outstanding personality, invited him to become a director, in which capacity he remained for the inception of this national organization. Last July at the convention of the Eastern Canada Association of the Deaf (a new title for the same old organization), Mr. Sowerby was signally honoured by being unanimously elected an honorary life member of the ECAD.



Robert Sowerby's hobbies are motoring and fishing. In the picture shown here Robert is at the controls of a 1922 Chevrolet while his wife was sitting in the back. In those days, as Robert reminisces, there were no closed cars as far as he could remember although there might have been just a few. Robert revels in long distance forays on wheels, having driven approximately 400,000 miles during all those years that he has owned 19 different cars. He had common sense enough to get his car insured at all times, and the only agent he has ever dealt with vows that he could not have had a better client.

TV News in Signs First Telecast for the Deaf

Every Saturday afternoon Chicago's TV Channel 5, NBC, gives a news program in the sign language for the benefit of the deaf viewers in that area. John Tubergen, well known among the deaf, and deaf himself, narrates the news program in signs while Jim Hurlbut, regular announcer, gives the oral version.

This is probably the first and only newscast for the deaf at present, but



In the picture above Mr. Tubergen is either telling his deaf audience a "surprise" or admonishing them to "wake up."

it is to be hoped other stations will follow the example. The deaf can help get such programs by writing to their local TV stations, and the deaf of the Chicago area can probably keep this one going if they will write their sentiments to the WNBQ station in Chicago. It was to run for 13 weeks and perhaps longer if response was favorable.

The Chicago newscast is sponsored by Zenith Radio Corporation as a service to the deaf and was started on

National Association of the Deaf WITH OUR LOYAL WORKERS

By G. DEWEY COATES, Membership Director

EYES ON 1960 AT DALLAS—About this time all Loyal Workers should begin to lay plans with an eye to the Dallas Convention. This planning should have four objectives:

1. To see to it that a Representative is named by your state association. This should be done sometime in November or December or earlier, and the selection should be certified with the Home Office, preferably not later than January 30, 1960. Representatives may be named in two ways: by a convention vote or by vote of the Association's Executive Committee. It will be well also to pick an alternate at the same time.

2. To see to it that the Representative (or the alternate) attends the Dallas Convention. This convention will be the most important one in many years. The representatives will, by their votes, determine to a great extent the success of the New N.A.D. It will require the combined wisdom of the highest type of representatives from each Cooperating Member state to insure the successful launching of the Federation. Their votes will set the budget, fix the per capita tax, elect the first officers of the Federation, and amend the laws as deemed necessary. Therefore it is vital that every member state shall be properly represented at the Dallas Convention.

3. See to it that the highest possible number of Advancing Members (\$-amonth member) is signed up in your state during 1959, and,

4. See to it that the fewest possible such members drop out. These last two items are urgent for two reasons. The N.A.D. and THE SILENT WORKER must continue to be supported well past 1960 inasmuch as contributions from Cooperating Members will not become due until 1961. Moreover, the amount of income from \$-a-month members will be an important factor in determining the per capita tax. Obviously, the greater the income from the source the lower the per capita tax will be Therefore no Loyal Worker will want to rest on his oars during 1959.

Another reason for planning an allout effort to fill the state quotas of Advancing Members is that the final standing of states in meeting their quotas will be figured at the end of 1959. At Dallas it is hoped that two suitable rewards can be made to: (1) the state with the highest standing in Advancing Members, and (2) to all individuals who have not missed a regular contribution as a \$-a-month member. And BBB will surely be happy to make a number of Presidential Awards to the most energetic Loyal Workers.

Let's roll up our sleeves and go!



John M. Tubergen, Jr., right, gives the deaf the TV news in the sign language while Jim Hurlbut gives with the voice. The hearing aid Tubby wears is but window dressing, for he is as deaf as the proverbial post. His program is sponsored by Zenith hearing aids.

a suggestion from Tubergen himself, when he missed a tornado warning because he was unable to hear the warning on the newscasts. John Tubergen is president of the Illinois School for the Deaf Alumni Association and secretary of the Illinois Deaf Motorists Association.

Representative Teacher Deplores Lack of Opportunity for European Deaf

Shackled by Restricting Methods, They Cry for Education

By W. T. GRIFFING

This is certainly going to be quite a chore! I am expected to write a brilliant article, to brief you on my recent trip to Manchester and to other points in Europe. It will be extremely difficult to maintain a straight middle of the road course for the following reasons: (1) I was not in Europe long enough to formulate opinions that could pass inspection as factual and impartial; and (2) my contacts with the European deaf were too few to satisfy my curiosity and to whet my thirst for information that would give me a clear insight as to how the deaf of that continent think and feel and

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There are others in this great country who could do a far better job than I. Marcus Kenner is one who holds Europe in the hollow of his hands. What he doesn't know about conditions over there isn't worth a headache on your part. Mario Santin is another who could tell you anything and everything you care to know.

It was indeed a wonderful experience to go to Manchester, to the International Congress on the Modern Educational Treatment of Deafness, as representative deaf teacher of the deaf. It was an honor of which I am proud. As you must know, there is no such thing as a deaf teacher of the deaf in Europe, so I was selected by the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf to attend the Congress with the hope I might be able to influence others to our way of thinking, id est, that a deaf teacher can be an asset to schools which strive to train those who cannot hear. My going to Manchester did not mean I am looked on as one of the best teachers; I like to think that my colleagues regard me as average, a fair criterion of the hundreds of able deaf teachers serving our schools. I do not know if I served you as well as you expected, but I want to assure you that I did give the job a grand old college try!

The Congress at Manchester was attended by over a thousand from 41 countries all over the world. The delegates are dedicated people, proud of the work they are doing, and anxious to find better methods of getting to the core of the education of the deaf.

I can believe that they are open-minded, the mark of the true educator, on the problems that confront the profession as a whole. They received me most graciously and apparently thought nothing of my getting the papers and lectures through the medium of sign language. Several came up to me to express admiration of the manner in which my interpreter, Fred Sparks, Jr., of the Rome, New York, school, was making my attendance at the meetings so pleasant and profitable. May I give Fred a big bouquet here for all that he did for me during those long and somewhat tiring sessions? His signs were eloquent and they did impress people over there, including some from the Ministry of Education.

As a deaf man I thought that most of the papers were by far too technical for the average layman to comprehend. Yet I know they were good and that they will help, for men and women do not come to such a gathering unless they feel they have something worthwhile to offer. Another thought I had was that there was too much emphasis on testing, especially with pre-school children. I believe it would have been much better and more effective to stress the value of better teaching, then even better teaching, because it was easily seen that most of those who made up the audience were teachers, eager to be shown how they could build for a better pupilteacher relationship, to get closer to the hearts of those they must teach.

Likewise did I think that more attention should have been given to the adult deaf and their immediate problems resulting from sins of omission and commission within the profession while they were making the ascent up the educational ladder. Instead of the demonstrations with the young, I visioned the result had a group of unhappy deaf adults been given the floor, to pour out to the teachers, to the educators, to the theorists, and to other interested parties the many things that have been crowding their hearts, and even their souls, for so long until their very thinking is affected. Then it could be asked in all honesty how the schools had failed these people despite



With the Rev. Mark Frame on his left and K. P. McDougall on his right, W. T. Griffing takes time out to rest on a stone wall fronting on a stream in North Wales.

the best of intentions, and how they could dedicate the future to the task of trying harder to avoid the same mistakes so the little ones just starting out would not be like them in the years to come.

I was especially proud of the American delegation at the Congress. We do have some simply fine people working for us! Dr. Edward Abernathy of Ohio, Marshall Hester of New Mexico, and Dr. Leonard Elstad of Gallaudet College were our work horses, for they were always seeking ways and means whereby our story and our work should command attention and, I might truthfully add, admiration and respect. There were other able men and women at Manchester who did a wonderful job of holding high our professional banner.

Now, more than at any other time, I am convinced that the whole trouble over there is the feeling in high places that a deaf person is unable to help others, that their lives must be built around hearing persons who serve as a sort of crutch after school days are over. These wonderful helpers are called Missioners, and they are greatly loved by the deaf whom they do truly serve. They possess a broad grasp of what is really needed to better fit the deaf into a world of realities;

in fact, I was told on several occasions that the Missioners know the deaf better than the headmasters at the schools, that is, for the most part. That could be true, for as you work with badly adjusted persons, you are bound to pick up surprising bits of information that do not ordinarily show in a classroom. Not one Missioner I talked with is convinced that education of the deaf is fine and dandy. They feel many changes are urgently needed, and this dovetails with the opinions of the adult deaf of Europe.

These good people are frankly envious of our schools and their modern vocational departments. There is little or no such training in the schools over there. Some of the Missioners said it was just as well, for considering the equipment, the work would have to be done all over again in some training center; others held to the opinion it was a shame the children were not taught to do manual work; still others voiced the feeling the law of averages was operating as it should. There is a strong sentiment which favors a national college, to rank with our beloved Gallaudet, but the immediate problems as these friends see it is to raise the sights of the schools which all too often do not go beyond the elementary level. When a deaf student must leave school after age 15, well, you can see that a wide gap exists between education and preparation for life.

I had some wonderful talks with Mr. George Schofield and Mr. K. P. Mc-Dougall, both Missioners, of Manchester and Leicester, respectively. The gracious Schofields took several of us into their pleasant home, introduced us to the deaf with whom they worked, and talked over the problems they feel must be solved if ever the deaf are to hold their heads high, as their hearing fellowmen. Mr. Schofield does not theorize; he has been around too long and seen too much to believe that education is really doing a good job for the deaf whom he and his good wife love.

Mr. McDougall is the son of deaf parents and is dedicated to the work of helping others who cannot hear. He is most emphatic on the subject of the failure of the present schools to adequately meet the needs of the adult deaf. He sent me a clipping of the Oxford Mail, under date of September 3, containing parts of a speech he made at a meeting of Missioners and educational agencies at Jesus College, Oxford. I am quoting from that article:

"We are dealing with an ever-increasing population of deaf illiterates. deaf of their country,

These may sound harsh words, but I defy any intelligent observer to deny their truth.

"The illiterate person today is not one who cannot read and write, but one who does not measure up to the standard of literacy laid down by society as a whole. If society raises its standards, the number of illiterates increases. So the gap between the normal and the deaf is widening, and will go on widening.

"We know the cause—the cumulative result of over 60 years of an educational system which is completely inflexible, a method which compels the deaf to pretend they are something which they are not. The completely deaf will never altogether and successfully integrate into normal society. Yet they continue to be sacrificed on the altar of theory.

"The pure oral system (the system which concentrates on teaching the deaf to speak and to lip-read with the aim of communicating with normal people) is doing much to destroy the desire of the deaf for further education in adult life. Apathy is complete among the young deaf. They are ill-informed. They have complete disregard for social and moral obligations.

"An educated deaf person is happier and a better citizen than a half-educated oralist. I think the solution is further education, but it is very much easier to make a statement than to put it into practice.

"There are four main obstacles: the competition of entertainment, including that provided by deaf centers; fatigue, particularly from soul-destroying jobs the deaf were often condemn-

ed to do; claims of home and family, or of a 'lover and his lass'; and that 'terminological diehard, the inferiority complex'. Our younger deaf are very conscious of their inferiority. They often have the false idea that to be deaf is shameful.

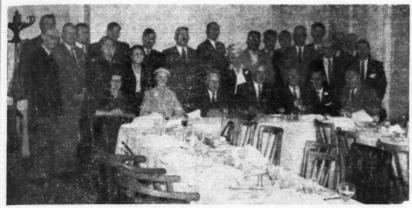
"I hope before I die to look upon a permanent educational establishment for the adult deaf, ministry-supported, but flexible and free."

While I was in England, I was often asked about the deaf women of America. I told my new friends over there the deaf female can do very much the same kind of work as a male, and that they are paid equal wages, often more, depending on experience and skill. Eyebrows arched, then shot skyward. Such a thing is unheard of in that country. Another question put to me very often is this: "Can a deaf person go out and secure employment on his own?" I told them this was the usual thing among the deaf who did not wish to be tied to any one's apron strings. Heads shook from side to side, slowly and sadly, as these people sighed, "Not over here, not over here."

They were awed by the fact over 400 deaf teachers are employed in our schools, academically and vocationally. They were amazed at the number of deaf lady instructors and by the fact they are accredited by the Conference and are allowed to hold state certificates. But they said they were happy we are so fortunate and they were praying for a day when they, too, will have deaf teachers of the deaf. It is their belief and firm conviction such a thing would be more than just a shot in the arm for the adult deaf and all the schools. One man remarked

Readers should be able to identify four Americans among these delegates pictured in front of Dalton Hall at Manchester. Look for Messrs. Ambrosen, Frisina, Sparks, and Griffing.





At a Congress dinner, reading from left to right, seated: Mrs. Richard Brill; Mrs. E. S. Greenaway; Dr. R. Howlett; Dr. Eric Greenaway; Dr. Leonard Elstad; Fred Sparks; Lloyd Ambrosen. Standing: Dr. Daniel T. Cloud; A. T. Parnham (inspector of schools, Ministry of Education, London); Dr. Richard Brill; Dr. G. F. Cockerill (Ministry of Education); Mrs. L. W. Barkham; Dr. Sam B. Craig; Mrs. Cloud; T. Pursglove (headmaster, Margate School); Dr. Peter Henderson (principal health officer, Ministry of Education); Dr. E. B. Boatner; Miss Alyce Thomas; Nat Harris; Dr. Charles Huss (Ministry of Education); Dan Burns; Dr. William J. McClure; James Lumsden (inspector of schools, Ministry of Education); W. T. Griffing; J. G. Demeza; Mr. Barkham (Headmaster, Townsend House, Brighton, Australia); Raymond Triebert.

to me, "It would seem that only our good friend, Dr. Greenaway, believes we have it in us to teach others."

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One surprising discovery I made was the fact there are two totally deaf Masons in England. That is impossible here. These Masons were initiated during the year of office of some Missioners of whom about a dozen are Masons. All of these attended the ceremonies to act as interpreters. These deaf Masons were quite impressive and attracted onlookers from far and wide. Mr. McDougall expressed an interest in the DESOM, Deaf Sons of Master Masons, an organization that is coming into prominence here. He feels that this could be an instrument of good in his country in that is would help bring the deaf into closer contact with the Masons, many of whom are in an excellent position to be of service. He likewise feels that our National Association of the Deaf is something each one of us should support with his purse, sharpen with his mind, and unite with his heart.

I had the pleasure of meeting some deaf people in England, chief among them being Pierre Gorman, Ralph Drewry, Rev. Mark Frame of Paisley, Scotland, Rev. B. B. Morgan, Rev. T. H. Sutcliffe, and Rev. Frank Goodrich. You will hear a great deal of these from time to time, for they are sincerely interested in better things for the deaf of their country.

In France I was under the wing of that fine Monsieur E. Rubens-Alcais, who very kindly showed me around and told me the things I wanted most to know. At the club for the deaf in Paris I had the pleasure of meeting and talking with a great many. All of them think the deaf of America are the luckiest people on earth, and I am inclined to agree with them. They would give their eye teeth to be able to come over here to fit in at some good paying position, to drive a car, and to feel all of this was accomplished without any help from others. They are doing as well as could be expected, yet they do not speak with laughter in their hearts as we do in America.

In Rome I did not have an opportunity to meet any of the deaf, yet at the office of the World Federation of the Deaf I was told that there is very little happiness for the deaf, or for the hearing for that matter. The deaf work as printers, barbers, shoeshiners, tailors, and so on, but the pay is so small that their scale of living is restricted. They are not allowed to drive cars, so I was told, but it is all right to operate motorcycles. It would seem that the main interest of the deaf of Europe is in athletics and cycling. Possibly that is all they can find to do in the environment in which they live.

I was told that in a certain city there is an adult population of approximately 1100, and that of these about 100 are home owners, and that about one of every ten has a small car. In fact, at the summer school at Harlech only one or two came to that meeting by private car. One came from Scotland by motorcycle. Now, at by around 300 deaf, how many home one of our state conventions, attended

owners would you find, and how many cars would be parked on the athletic field or on the drives? If you can answer this, you'll see how lucky we really are, and how grateful we should be that we have such fine schools and able educators to help us.

I think the feeling is that everything possible is being done for the small deaf children but that not enough attention is being given to the needs of the adult deaf. I am certain that the 1963 Congress on the campus of Gallaudet College will not lose sight of this fact. I can believe it will be a Congress that will thrill us and help us. I can believe that it will throw the spotlight on all phases of education in an honest and sincere effort to make our schools better, staffed by better teachers whose products are capable of meeting any issue that comes up after school days are over.

I feel that the adult deaf and their agencies will be consulted, asked to share in the planning of this great venture. But a word of caution: we must not expect too much without giving more of ourselves to the cause of education. If we are to reap, we must also sow. It is not enough to just stand around talking and criticizing. We have to produce. That is our job. We can do it easily enough if we put both mind and heart to the problems.

The deaf of Europe do indeed look to America as the land where a lighted torch is held aloft to guide the steps of those who would be free. They believe that here we have equal opportunities with the hearing, with the high privilege of holding our heads erect as we walk among proud men, asking no favors, and expecting none. They are not jealous, really. They are wistful, hoping and praying that some day they will be richly blessed with all the good things our educational system has made possible for us.

I saw and heard so much over there that ever since there has been a tug working at my heart-strings. I have tried in a small way to show you that while our schools are not perfect, neither are we. If they are to be made better, we will have to do things that will bring them more credit and favorable publicity. It is not enough to feel and to say that we are lucky—we must know it and show it!

This is really a puny effort to tell you, the deaf of America, that you have a gosh awful lot to live up to in the eyes of the deaf of Europe. Now, what are you going to do about it? Me? I have already started—gangway!



Random Jottings

By Bernard Teitelbaum

We have a clipping extolling the services of five totally deaf girls in the bookkeeping department of the Pacific National Bank of Seattle (Washington).

The article states: "Their record of performance has been outstanding. They have proved to be the most satisfactory employees."

It adds that "Mr. (Edgar F.) Opdycke, (vice president), feels that if other banks were apprised of the possibilities of aiding in the rehabilitation or employment of girls so handicapped, at the same time obtaining people who do a very creditable job, the banks would be doing 'a worthwhile service.'

Elsewhere banks are learning it is to their advantage to hire deaf girls who are immune to the nerve-wracking noises generally prevalent in their accounting departments.

Chicago also has a deaf girl working on IBM machinery, and a Pittsburgh bank has at least one deaf girl in its accounting department.

May the time not be distant when all banks will be clamoring for qualified deaf girls in their accounting departments.

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Our old side kick—Ted Griffing out in Oklahoma—will be pleased to know that one of his boys, 13-year-old David Harrison, got a little writeup in the Altoona (Pa.) Mirror for January 1, 1958.

David is a Boy Scout, working toward his Eagle Rank and had earned 11 merit badges when the article was dispatched by United Press.

We quote the article: "The remarkable part of David's accomplishments is that he has been deaf since infancy. He communicates with other children and grownups by reading lips."

Distance does lend enchantment!

Closer home we have Boy Scouts with 11 merit badges—boys who were born deaf and (try to) communicate via lip reading.

Out in Wheeling, West Virginia, they turned up a novel hiker last May.

Police said the above "hiker", 49 years old, waded 20 feet from shore into the Ohio River and tried to flag down a motor boat operated by three

youths. When he tried to wade closer to the boat, he stepped into deep water and sank.

He was pulled out of the water and lodged in jail on charges of intoxication but subsequently turned loose.

The above hiker is not deaf but-

The next one was. And the tale is true!

This deaf man, on a hitch-hike thru New York State one summer years ago, found himself one evening east of Massena.

The skies were clear, promising fair, warm weather, and the hiker had an urge to experience an all-night hike.

With oncoming darkness, the stars came out, brilliant and beautiful, such as he had not seen in many a year. Dimly they lit up the road ahead.

It turned out to be a very lonely road—no traffic passed over it after dark.

After trudging along for several hours, our man was affected by fatigue, and he looked around for a likely place to camp.

Ahead in the distance and slightly off to the left he spied what seemed to be a campfire. The hope of spending the night with fellow hikers quickened his flagging pace.

However, the hiker's endurance was fast ebbing and the 15-pound knapsack on his back weighed him down like a ton. Plodding became mechanical, and the man began to waver in his course. His senses were all dulled, but he could percieve that the campfire grew larger with each step. This growing proximity spurred him on and kept him resolutely on his feet.

Just when it seemed that the camp ahead could not be very far off, the man pulled himself to a sudden stop—his senses all alive and alert—and he gave a hard look.

His camp fire proved to be the gorgeous flame-colored tip of a rising crescent moon!

We are going to let you in on a good one on the writer.

Some months ago the supply of our favorite brand of mustard dried up at our special supermarket. Our wife was told the company manufacturing the same had discontinued its production.

Thinking to corner remnant supplies in other stores, we scoured stores big and little in three different widelyseparated communities, but nary a jar of our favorite relish could we find Others with the same idea had been there ahead of us.

Hopefully we repeated several of these visits, always without luck. The search for mustard became a habit.

One day while the wife was visiting in New York City and we had to do all the shopping, we passed a supermarket in a neighborhood we do not normally visit.

More out of curiosity than of hope and we had some shopping to do anyway—we entered the store. During the course of our meandering past the well stocked shelves, we came to the relish department and—

Lo and behold, there on a shelf was a neatly stacked supply of our delicacy. We practically cornered the whole supply—good for approximately six months.

A package came the next day, and in it were two jars of the heavenly stuff sent by our thoughtful wife who had spotted a supply in New York City.

Food is not an enduring item, and the supply must be replenished as it is consumed. The time soon came for us to shop again.

As we approached the relish department of our neighborhood market, we became smug. From force of recently acquired habit, we looked over the mustard shelves, and our smugness instantly disappeared.

For there, in its old place, was an ample supply of the olive-brown condiment that tickled our palate the most. The company had gone back into production of that particular brand!

(We are now out of the habit of searching relish shelves.)

The Philadelphia Bulletin for January 26, 1958, announced the death on Friday, January 24, 1958, of Israel Gobinsky, a retired policeman, aged 68. Quoting the article:

"He was used extensively as a Police Department interpreter for people who used sign language." (An unusual way of referring to deaf people if that indeed is the reference).

The article went on to explain that Mr. Gobinsky learned the sign language from buddies who returned from World War I and were hard of hearing or deaf. (Who taught THEM?)



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Gladys Campbell, nee Price, of San Francisco, writes that she plans to join husband Kenny in Japan sometime during the early spring. Kenny, a serviceman, is stationed over there. But, before she leaves, Gladys hopes to visit southern California and take in the sights of Disneyland.

All that hammering and sawing over in Downey, California, means that Cecil Christensen is a busy man these days. He is building some more apartments, and they're gonna be so beautiful that he and Lenore will most likely live in one of them. They now live in one of the five units they own in nearby Bellflower.

Lynton and Bonnie Rider are moving into the new house they've been building as this is being written a few days before Christmas. The new place is built just behind the two homes Rider purchased some years ago, making three in all. Bonnie announces that the latch-string is out.

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The Vincent Neitzie family of San Diego drove up to Long Beach the weekend of December 6 to attend the anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Grimes and spent Sunday with the De-Martinis out in Monterey Park where the three Neitzie children had fun in the swimming pool. And it was COLD that day!

Word comes that Gary Tyhurst and wife are proud parents! Gary is the son of Belle Tyhurst of Los Angeles, and most of us didn't even know he had married. Belle has promised to send us the baby's statistics anon, and you'll be hearing from us.

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Mr. and Mrs. Emmette Simpson of
Napa, California, departed from San
Francisco airport early the morning of
December 13 for a two-month stay in
Hawaii with their daughter and son-in-

Around twenty-five deaf residents of Orange County gathered at the Robert Matthews home in Garden Grove Saturday evening, December 6, and completed plans for organizing the Orange County Chapter of the California Association of the Deaf. Bob and Mrs. Matthews are serving as

temporary chairman and secretary and will be assisted by Cecil Alms, Everett Hollenbeck, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Malley, Mrs. Roy Kelly, and Albert Schmidt.

That huge crowd of happy people who gathered at the Los Angeles Club Sunday afternoon, December 14, were there to surprise George and Lois Elliott of La Puente with a gala housewarming, and no one had more fun than the five little Elliott girls. Mabel George, who headed the committee that afternoon, declares she developed a bad case of ulcers trying to keep the affair a secret from George and Lois. George happens to be president of the LACD and was always around when Mabel was making arrangements for the use of the clubrooms that Sunday afternoon. The Elliotts plan to hold a series of gatherings out at their La Puente home so that all their friends may have an opportunity to see the new place. Besides numerous cash gifts George and Lois received a lovely set of dinnerware from the committee which included Lenore Christensen, Loel Schreiber, Iva DeMartini, Jerry Fail, Charlotte Pringle, Eulah Pois, Evelyn Gerich, and at least a dozen other ladies. We regret that we do not have a list of all those responsible for

the lovely afternoon.

Just to show that folks really DO read THE SILENT WORKER, we hasten to correct an item published in this column appearing in the November, 1958, issue. With just ONE LINE missing, the meaning of an entire paragraph was changed. The item in question being Herb and Loel Schreiber's 15th wedding anniversary. The paragraph, corrected, would read as follows: "Mr. and Mrs. Morris Fahr entertained at a surprise party on October 25 honoring Herb and Loel Schreiber upon the occasion of their fifteenth wedding anniversary." So, you see, it wasn't the Fahrs who were celebrating... after all they've been married for more than 30 years, according to Morris. The party, which took place out in South Pasadena, was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brightwell. (Morris Fahr accuses us of deliberately creating confusion once in awhile just to see if people DO read the NEWS SECTION. While we plead innocent and demand a jury trial, we are quite pleased to learn that folks read OUR stuff as well as that of WTG. News Editor.)

Quite a few of our friends have been under the weather lately, some of them hospitalized we are sorry to learn. Bernice Dunlap of Baldwin Park underwent major surgery the second week of December, and during the operation her heart stopped for at least four minutes and the doctors had to make an incision and massage her

heart. It is with relief that we learn that Bernice is recovering although still in the hospital. Marion Wildman of Baldwin Park is also hospitalized and has been for several weeks although he hopes to go home to wife, Elvaree, before Christmas. Marion underwent spinal surgery to correct an old injury which had pained him for ages. Belle Tyhurst and Catherine Deasee suffered attacks of the flu which, though slight and of short duration, were severe enough to cause them a miserable week. Iris, sister of Esther Mintz and Bob and Forrest Jackson, is up and about again recovering rapidly from the painful injuries suffered when struck by an automobile several weeks ago, and Mabel George is feeling fine since recent surgery which left her minus many pounds . . . and a brand new figure which is the envy of us all. Iva DeMartini declares that SHE has gained six pounds and wonders if it would pay to suddenly discover an ailment requiring a stay in the hospital. Iva, we are certain that Mabel's method is not recommended for all of us!

Our good and well-loved friend, Horace Perry, has returned home from a painful hospital stay also and is making a valiant and determined fight for recovery. While we do not know the exact nature of his illness, we do know that he was operated upon and that it was major surgery which almost claimed his life, and all of us are hoping and praying that Horace will be up again soon. Marie is at his side constantly and promises to keep us

Mr. and Mrs. John Fail entertained at a surprise party December 6 in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Grimes' 25th wedding anniversary. Affair took place in the Embassy Room at Long Beach's Morgan Hall with more than 150 friends of Ellen and Virgil's gathering to shower the popular couple with gifts, greenbacks, and silver dollars. Caught completely by surprise, Ellen and Virgil arrived late expecting to attend a regular business session of the Long Beach Club that evening and found the Club's regular hall dark and deserted whilst the Embassy Room was brightly lit and overflowing with happy, smiling friends. A small tree, painted white and dusted with silver, was heavily laden with bright silver dollars, and beside the tree was the most beautiful white and silver cake we have seen in many a moon. Married in Texas in 1933, Ellen and Virgil said their "I do's" on Christmas Eve just twenty-five years ago. Assisting Jerry and John with the numerous details were Glen Orton, Fred Gries, and Ivan Nunn, whilst the food, three beautifully baked hams included, was prepared and served by the special assist-ing committee made up of Mesdames Ing committee made up of Mesdames Joe Park, Curtis Pasley, Angelo Skro-peta, Cecil Dungan, C. Townsend, B. Mendoza M. O'Neal, R. Bailey, H. Welch, Mrs. Vic Cookson, Miss Maydeen Phillips, and Mrs. Joe Wheeler. A week later gifts from Ellen and Virgil were still arriving, and from where we sit it is really going to be a Merry Christmas out at the San Pedro home of the Grimes family.

Mrs. Charles Berg and Miss Nora



Salvador Letterman, three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Letterman, is shown with the gold-stoned trophy he won when judged first-place winner and crowned "King" of his age class in a contest at the Lynnwood-South Gate (California) Baby Festival last October. Event was sponsored by Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary No. 86. Little Salvador also received health and beauty certificates.

Simpson of San Diego entertained their old schoolmate, Ella Roy of Berkeley, recently when Ella came down for a visit of several days. Together with another schoolmate, Mrs. Margaret Eden, the four of them enjoyed a gay reunion party at the famous Anthony's Grotto.

Florence Petek is attending Jenny-Jelsey College down at San Diego where she hopes soon to master the art of IBM key-punching and secure a well-paying job. And Harold Lloyd, also of San Diego, is progressing well at the Technical Trade School back in Tennessee where he is studying lithography.

Making their home in San Diego are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Majka who recently moved west from Chicago. It is hoped they will like San Diego and remain.

Burchard Keach, a native of Kansas who has been living in Hawaii with his daughter for several years, has been visiting around Los Angeles prior to going back to Wichita, Kansas, to spend Christmas with his son and family. Mr. Keach plans to return west and make his home in San Diego.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Beckwith welcomed a seventh child on Thanksgiving Day and named him Oliver James. Mr. and Mrs. Beckwith have one other son and five daughters, and Mrs. Andrew Stirling helped a lot by caring for the children during Mrs. Beckwith's confinement.

Dale Johnson and Carol Bowie were married November 25 at the Los Angeles Baptist Deaf Center on West Manchester Boulevard. The young couple, both coming from Oregon, are now making their home out in Wood-land Hills.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Walton of Los Angeles celebrated their fifty-fifth wedding anniversary with an open house at their lovely home November 9. Guests came in droves from 2 to 5 that afternoon and from 7 to 9 that evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Malley entertained close friends at their home in Garden Grove Sunday afternoon, November 16, in celebration of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. They had planned to celebrate sooner, but Mrs. Malley had undergone major surgery earlier in the year and was not feeling too well during the summer. Lovely gifts of money and things for the home were heaped upon Joe and Margaret while their son, Pat, and their young daughter, Shirley, stood happily by and beamed upon their parents. Everyone wishes the Malley family much happiness.

much happiness.

Eleanor and Don Nuernberger spent
Thanksgiving Day moving into their
lovely new home out in La Mirada, and
Mike and Elodie Wukadinovich of
Riverside have added a large rumpus
room to their beautiful home. Aileen
Schmidt has been busy with the remodelling of the kitchen of the home
she and Burton own over in Riverside,
and the Lenny Meyerses of Whittier
are also busy with the enclosing of
their outdoor fireplace. Looks like all
those people have a lot of get-up-andgo about them.

More than fifty friends and members of his family gathered at the home of Don and Connie Sixbery out at Monterey Park Saturday evening, December 13, to make merry with Don upon reaching the grand old age of 32 years. Party lasted half the night, what with all the dancing and the merry-making. Friends also gathered at the Joe M. Park home out in San Pedro December 17 to do honor to Cora Park upon the occasion of her birthday although Cora very modestly refused to reveal her age just as all the ladies are prone to do these days.

COLORADO ...

Melvin Haptonstall went to Omaha, Neb., November 21 to try his luck at a bowling tournament by the Omaha Club of the Deaf and placed 46th in the contest for the first prize of \$200. Others who attended were the Don Warnicks, the Fred Schmidts, Bob Edwards, and Evelyn Tomkin, all of Denver.

The annual business meeting of the Arkansas Valley Deaf Club was held in the parish hall of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Pueblo on October 26 with a good attendance. New officers elected were Wilma Shields, Canon City, president; Raymond Hoza, vice president; Mildred Owens, secretary, and Albert Highberger, treasurer. Mrs. Helen Bruce of Colorado Springs went by bus, and the Owens family went in their new station wagon. Frank Blankis, of Salida, Colo., brought Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Shields of Canon City to the club.

Pikes Peak Silent Club held its Halloween party in Carpenter Hall, Colorado Springs, on Friday night, October 31, with a good-sized crowd The committee composed of Mr. and Mrs. Juan Maez and Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Sequra gave everyone an enjoyable evening. The annual busines meeting and election of officers of the Pikes Peak Club was held November 15. New officers elected are: Herman Butler, president; Adolph Sequra, vice president; Dorothy Puzick, secretary and Keith Hardy, treasurer. Mr. and Mrs. Everett Owens were chairmen for the evening and served delicious refreshments.

A basketball team just organized composed of the Colorado Springs deal calling themselves the Colorado Springs Silents, started playing in the City League on December 1. The Silent Athletic Club team of Denver journeyed to the Springs on Saturday, December 5, for a game with the Colorado Springs Silents, with Denver winning The Colorado Springs team will come to Denver on January 17 for another game. The players (Colorado Springs) are raising funds for new uniforms and will appreciate any donations made to them. Players this year are Bill Lamm, Everett Owens, Philip Hollingsworth, Melvin Haptonstall, Dee Haptonstall, Adolph Sequra, Milfred Venrick, Herman Butler, Eddie Gallegos, Andy Vigil, and Elmer Gaddie. Bill Lamm is the coach, and Everett Owens is the manager. The Colorado Springs Silents also have entered two bowling leagues with a team composed of Melvin Haptonstall, Dee Haptonstall, Philip Hollingsworth, Carl Blankis, Tony Quintana, and Adolph Sequra.

Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Danti recently purchased an attractive bungalow several miles north of Colorado Springs somewhere close to the Black Forest and are renting their other home in Knob Hill.

Mrs. Roy M. Steele entertained a group of ladies at a stork shower for Mrs. Thomas Fishler in her apartment on Friday, November 28.
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Y. Northern,

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Y. Northern, of Denver, have made several trips to Colorado Springs to visit their grandson Jerry who just enrolled in the Colorado College this fall.

The 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Costa, Colorado Springs, is now a junior in high school, and his ambition after graduation is to go into the Navy in 1960. Mr. Costa has been employed for 23 years by the Pikes Peak Greenhouse and has been the foreman of his section for a number of years. Mrs. Costa is employed by the Ideal Dry Cleaning and Laundry at present.

Gene Thompson and Rosie Lee Moore were married in Cheyenne, Wyo., on September 26. Gene is reported to be employed by Shwayder Brothers in Denver. Congratulations to

the newlyweds.

Mrs. Keith Hardy underwent another operation on November 10 in Greeley, Colo., and is reported well recovered at this writing. Mr. and Mrs. Hardy moved out of their house which they sold and are living in an apartment until they can find another home to purchase.

Mrs. Hattie Wright is now spending two months with her daughter Betty and family in Thornton, Colo. Mrs. Wright spent two months in Utah

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during June, July, and part of August visiting many of her late husband's relatives and old friends. She also paid several visits to the Mormon Temple in Salt Lake City.

Mrs. Kate Elizabeth Lindsey Wolfe, an alumnae of the Colorado School, passed away in Ogden, Utah, on September 29 after a long illness. Funeral services were held on October 2, and she was buried in Washington Heights Memorial Park. She was born in Idaho sne was buried in washington Heights Memorial Park. She was born in Idaho Springs, Colo., on September 12. 1900. She was married to Henry Conrad Wolfe in 1927. Besides her husband she is survived by a son, Henry, Jr. Miss Sadie Young, 84 years young, is now at home after being hospitalized at the Rocky Mountain Hospital Den

at the Rocky Mountain Hospital, Denver, for some time. Miss Young suffered a light stroke at her home in Henderson, Colo. We wish her a speedy

recovery.

Everett Owens, the maintenance man at the Colorado School, helped Scoutmaster George Culbertson and his assistant Floyd Rogers accompany the Boy Scouts of Troop 7 on their weekend hike at Camp Alexander in October Everett also has been a hig help end fike at Camp Alexander in Octo-ber. Everett also has been a big help to the football coaches, Mr. Teubner and Mr. Culbertson, in chaperoning the football boys to Boulder, Colo., for games. They all attended the game between the University of Oklahoma and the University of Colorado on

November 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Highberger of Pueblo motored to Colorado Springs to attend church services given by Rev. Homer E. Grace at the Grace Episcopal

Church on November 23.

Les and Juliet Hurt, of San Jose, Calif., stopped in Colorado Springs on Tuesday evening, November 25, and entertained the deaf children and the staff with a fine magic show with a religious theme at the Colorado School. Everyone enjoyed the performance.

Officers of the Colorado Springs Frat Div. No. 126 for the year 1959 are: Leslie Geist, president; Antonio Quintana, vice president; Antonio Danti, secretary; Fred Gustafson, treasurer; Willie Cart, director; Frank Galluzzo, Thomas Fishler, and Willie Cart, trustees; Norlyn Nordstrom, sergeant; and Frank Galluzzo, patriarch.

This months' news contribution was by Fred Gustafson of Colorado Springs.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA . . .

The stork will visit Washington, D. C., frequently this winter. A baby shower was held for Eula Wilding on November 14 in the Theodore Hagemeyers' apartment at 138 Bryant St., N.E. On November 22 another shower was given for Dorothy Caswell in the Francis Hutchinsons' residence at 1711 Gridley Lane, Silver Spring, Md. Both ladies received lovely gifts, and both are wives of basketball players.

We believe these two items borrows.

we believe these two items, borrowed from the Alumni Jottings in the Mount Airy World, will interest our local readers: We are pleased to report that Mrs. Mary King is on the mend following a four-week sojourn in the hospital. She spent some time with her sister in Bryn Mawr before returning to her home in Washington, D. C.

We do not like to report anything

unless we can vouch for its authenticity, but we have it from reliable sources that the engagement of Miss Wolf of Pinegrove, Pa., and William Ramsey of Washington, D. C., has been announced. As far as we know, no date has been set for the wedding.

From Detroit comes the news that a

From Detroit comes the news that a former Washingtonian, Michael Cherniawski and his wife Grace are the proud parents of an 8 lb. 10 oz. son, Michael Randy, who was born on November 16. Welcome, little Mike. The DCCD voted to get back to its former officer system and to do away with the Board of Directors system that was on trial for a year. The following officers were elected to serve in 1959: Irving Hoberman, president; Robert Lindsey, veep; Douglas Burke, secretary; Gerald Pelarski, treasurer; Minnie Bache, financial secretary; Fred Schreiber, athletic director; Louis Val Minne Bache, financial secretary; Fred Schreiber, athletic director; Louis Val and Joe Rose, trustees; and four members of the board of governors, consisting of Tony D'Onfronio, Minnie Bache, Joseph Broz, and Nick Janulius. We wish them all the best of luck!

A surprise house warming was held for the Roger Scotts in their lovely new home at 6520 Old Farm Court, Rockville, Md. They were presented with a fireplace screen and hood and an implement set and also a yellow TV siller. Le spite of the openions TV pillow. In spite of the one-inch snowfall and slick streets, almost everyone who was invited showed up everyone who was invited showed up including Mr. and Mrs. Moers who came straight from wee Willie's christening, complete with Willie. Joe and Kay Rose found out to their dismay that their old faithful could not get up the final hill so they left it parked below and trudged up toting Sharon Lee. Each couple brought something for the banquet that was served after for the banquet that was served after the gifts were presented, and everyone admired the house. We hope they spend many happy years in it.

KANSAS . . .

Fred Murphy, Kansas City, Mo., has taken a teaching position at the Kansas School for the Deaf at Olathe this year. A place in the advanced department was made vacant when Mark Carter severed his connection with the school to join the faculty of the Wisconsin School for the Deaf. Mr. Murphy, a graduate of the University of Missouri, here here years active in the Missouri. has been very active in the Missouri Association of the Deaf and has served several terms as its president. Mr. Murphy will commute from Kansas City until his family finds a permanent home in Olathe. The Murphys have four children.

Mark Carter is a native of Kansas, a graduate of the Kansas School. Upon his graduation from Gallaudet College he returned as instructor in 1949. He took an active interest in the activities of the students and organized a photo of the students and organized a pnoto club and was its sponsor for several years. He also was interested in the scouting program and last year was one of the sponsors of the junior class. Sorry that Mr. Carter left Kansas, but we are happy that he could be replaced by another good man.

The Kansas School for the Deaf has a record enrollment of over 190 stud-ents for the 1958-59 term. Twenty-one

students are enrolled for the first time.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Green, Wichita, are undertaking a \$7,000 remodeling job on their house. They have put in a full basement and are enlarging the living room and kitchen and adding one bedroom.

Forgot to tell you this item last month. Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Griffing of Sulphur, Okla., and Mrs. John Wood, Tulsa, Okla., were in Olathe October 24. Mr. Griffing spoke about his trip to Europe before the school faculty. to Europe before the school faculty. They all returned to Wichita with Mrs. Ed Foltz to be her guests that weekend. On Saturday, the 25th of October, Mr. Griffing spoke at the Wichita Frats' Halloween party. He was selected by the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf to represent the deaf teachers of America at a world conference on education in Manchester, England. He, as a speaker, has been much in demand. much in demand.

Helen Holmes is attending school at the Institution des Sourdes-Muettes at Montreal, Canada. She hopes that after a year in the school she will be able to become a novice in the convent which is conducted by the Sisters of Charity of Providence. She was a member of the Kansas School's Class of 1957 and had worked in the kitchen of the Providence Hospital in Kansas Charity and Manager this reconstitutions. City since early May of this year. It has long been her hope to enter a convent, and she has not let her deaf-

ness hinder her.

Mrs. Carl Rose, Wichita, was the gracious hostess to three parties on gracious nostess to three parties on three Fridays in succession. The first one was a toy party on the 24th of October; the second was the wedding anniversary surprise for the Crabbs on October 31; the third party was a ceramic one on November 7. These parties attracted an average of fifteen people. Can any one match her record of entertaining? of entertaining?

of entertaining?

Mrs. Bill Lichtenberger, Wichita, expecting her third child in February, was pleasantly surprised by a baby shower in her honor held at the Wichita Riverside Church the afternoon of November 8. Appropriate games were enjoyed by all ladies present. The guest of honor will need just a few more items of layette since she received lovely and useful gifts for her expected baby. The hostesses, Mrs. Dean Vanatta, Mrs. Wilbur Thomas, Mrs. Earl Nyquist, and Mrs. Floyd El-Mrs. Earl Nyquist, and Mrs. Floyd Ellinger served mixed nuts in small cups adorned with storks made of safety pins and tooth picks and coffee to about twenty ladies.

Billy Jim Ball, Potwin, recently opened his fully equipped shoe repair shop in this town. He received training in shoe repair work while he was at school at Olathe. He also received further training from a Whitewater, Kan., shoe repair shop owner. Recently Mr. Ball donated sewing services on some used shoes and was hired to put some used shoes and was hired to put on new heels on several pairs of the shoes for the needy. A youth group of the Potwin Christian Church picked up 285 pairs of used shoes to be sent to the needy in a Christian center in an eastern state.

Dean Vanatta, Otis Koehn, and Bill Lichtenberger, all of Wichita, went (Continued on Page 16)

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pheasant hunting at Montezuma on Nov. 8. There were lots of pheasants and lots of hunters in Western Kansas as the five-day season (Nov. 7-11) opened. It was reported that while there was lots of cover in spots they had no trouble getting their daily limit of four. At Colby some of the hunters returned from the field in an hour with their bag limit. The season opened in 58 counties in the western half of the state.

The Carl Munz family. are elated over the '53 Ford station wagon for which they traded their '49 car recent-

ly, The Wichita Sewing Club did not have its annual bazaar the past fall.

There was probably not enough work to be sold, perhaps because the membership is smaller.

Otis Koehn and Dean Vanatta, Wichita, hunted quail near Melvern, Kans., November 15 and 16. They got their two-day limit of 16 birds each. They hunted near the farm of Laryl Privat's parents. Laryl and Marvin Peiman, Vassar, also hunted. The men found quail plentiful. Mr. Privat once worked at the Beech Airplane plant in Wichita and is helping his father with the farm

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Walz, Wichita, were honored on their tenth wedding anniversary at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rose on November 23. They were very delighted with gifts of canned food given by friends that were present. Mrs. Rose was assisted by Mrs. Jerry Crabb, who baked a decorated two-tiered cake, and they

also served punch, coffee, and candy. The Walzes were married at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wichita in the presence of a few relatives on Thanksgiving Day, 1948. He is employed as a painter by the city board of education. The couple have three children.

Dorothy Layman, Salina, was honored at a bridal shower at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Larson at Bridgeport on November 9. About twenty-five people from Salina, Lindsborg and McPherson attended the shower. An autumn color scheme was carried out in the lunch and decorations. The deaf group of the Salina Bible Church in Salina gave the bride-to-be a set of colored dishes, and she also received some nice gifts from the other guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brown, New Cambria, spent a week on business in Arkansas before Thanksgiving.

Joy over the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Funke, Wichita, on November 19 turned into sadness for the couple upon the baby's death on Thanksgiving Day, the 27th. Donald Lewis, Jr., had to be operated on for the interior of his combastic trial. the impairment of his esophagus twice. The second operation did not go well so he died, leaving his parents so broken up. The baby weighed nine pounds and seven ounces at birth. The funeral for the eight-day-old baby was held on November 29, and he was buried in a new cemetery, Resthaven Garden of Memories. May God comfort them during their hour of sorrow.

Helen Lile and Wilma Lewis, both of Olathe, were in Wichita the Thanksgiving weekend, Miss Lile as the guest of Carol Hornbaker and Miss Lewis the guest of her sister, Mrs. Raymond

Walz and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fergason, Olathe, spent two days following Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Archie Grier giving with Mr. and Mrs. Archie Grier in Wichita. They all visited with Mrs. Fern Foltz in the evening. The Fergasons had spent Thanksgiving Day with her brother and family in Liberal. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ellinger, Wichita, and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hottle, Mulvane, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with their parents.

Burchard Keach arrived in Wichita from San Diego, Calif., on December 1 to spend Christmas with his son, Burchard, Jr., and family. He had accompanied his daughter, Mrs. Dora Vandeever, to California on November 5

Mr. and Mrs. Burr Mills, Newton, are proud parents of their third child, a boy born on December 3. Mr. Mills commutes to his work in Wichita. Con-

Robert Warner, of Texas, was in Wichita December 2 to 6 visiting his friends. He was a Wichita resident a short time last year. They are expecting their first child in April.

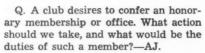
Marriage vows and rings were exchanged by Dorothy Layman, Salina, and A2c Phillip Near, Sterling, Ill., November 23 at the Salina Bible Church in Salina. Mrs. E. M. Clark, sister of Lee Hawkins, interpreted the service. service.

Mrs. James Doty, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor. Frances

QUESTIONS AND OPINIONS Parliamentary Procedure

By Edwin M. Hazel

Qualified Parliamentarian Member, the National Association of Parliamentarians, and the Chicago Association of Parliamentarians



A. The club (or any organization) should have the authority to confer such an honor specified in the bylaws. To confer this honor usually requires a large majority vote. A three-fourths vote is reasonable and common. If not a member of a club, an honorary member would have no duties to perform but may discuss questions. He cannot make a motion or vote, how-

Q. We do not understand what "expunge from the record" means. Please explain. Thank you.-Club president.

A. Sometimes, members desire not only to vote to rescind but to express very strong disapproval by voting to expunge an objectionable motion or resolution from the records. When the assembly votes to expunge, the secretary should draw a circle around the motion referred to, with red ink, writing across the same "rescinded and expunged by order of the assembly", giving the date of the order and signing the entry officially. Expunged matter must never be blotted out so as not to be readable. This insures the minutes of being a perfect record of everything done, while, in spirit, the objectionable action or words have been expunged. If an apology is made and followed by a vote to expunge, it should be shown on the minutes thus: "Apologized for, and expunged by order of the club." Remember, nothing in the minutes may be obliterated under any circumstances whatsoever.

Q. Is the Chair obliged to appoint a member to be the chairman of a committee which was formed to act upon this member's own motion or resolution?-Madam Chairman.

A. Not always, although it would be good policy to appoint him the chairman as he knows his reason for offering the motion or resolution.

Q. After a committee's report is read, should the chairman of the committee move that the report be adopted?-MMcK.

A. If the report contains just a statement of facts, no motion is necessary. But if it includes a motion (recommendation) or a resolution, the chairman should move the adoption of the motion or resolution.

Q. How long should a financial secretary keep the collection money?-RO.

A. The financial secretary should give the collection money to the treasurer as soon as it is convenient and should avoid retaining the money unnecessarily. The treasurer is the custodian of a club's funds; he should give the financial secretary a memorandum receipt which the secretary keeps until the auditing committee's report has been adopted.

Brown, New Cambria, was the brides-maid. They wore identical ballerina-length gowns of blue brocaded satin with matching blue satin hats. They carried bouquets of pink and white

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The bride wore an ankle-length gown of white lace and tulle over satin. The fitted lace bodice was styled with a round neckline and long sleeves tapering to points over the wrists. Her shoulder-length veil fell from velvet bows trimmed with pearls. She carried a bouquet of pink and white carnations with white satin streamers.

The reception was held at the home of Mrs. Clark. The couple left for a wedding trip to Pueblo, Colo. They are

at home in Salina.

The bride attended the Kansas School for the Deaf, and the groom was graduated from Sterling Township High School, Sterling, Ill. She was employed by Weeks' Food Market. He is stationed at Schilling Air Force Base.

We hope you all had a very nice Christmas and that Old Santa was good to you. Can we compare the gifts we give or receive with the gift of God? No, for His gift, His only begotten son, is unsurpassed.

IOWA . . .

The Leonard Kuehnes, nee Ruth Rose, newlyweds from Glendive, Montana, honeymooned in Ruth's home state, Iowa, and along with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rose, Sr., were among the merry makers at the Des Moines NFSD New Year's Eve party.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Darst of Moorland went to Joilet, Ill., to spend the holidays with their daughter Ruth who

resides there.

Friends in Des Moines have learned that W. L. Younkin living in Dallas, Texas, recently underwent surgery for cataract on one of his eyes, and the operation was a success. As soon as possible he hopes to have a similar operation on the other eye. He and his wife, who is also afflicted with a cataract, are former Iowans.

Delbert Ginger, of Fort Dodge, enjoyed a November vacation in Pomona, Calif., with his father. Delbert and Betty Maisel recently announced their

plans for a June wedding.
Mrs. Bernard Markel, nee Taylor, is home from the hospital and much improved after a bout with pneumonia. Son Benny, an ISD stud-ent, remained at home in Des Moines almost a month to help care for his younger brothers during his mother's illness.

Willie Young left Des Moines after Christmas for his annual eastern so-journ. He planned to stop over in Chicago, Akron, and New York City before going to Philadelphia, where he will spend the remainder of the winter with his brother.

Alex Rubino, of New York City and a Gallaudet senior, spent the holidays with his fiancee, Miss Marilyn Taylor, of Burt Lours

of Burt, Iowa.

John G. O'Brien, native Iowan and Gallaudet '32, was nominated as Democratic candidate for state senator in the Oregon legislature last May. (Mr. O'Brien was defeated in the general election.)

Jack and Edith Montgomery and son Kerry motored to Colorado Springs, Colo., November 5 for three days with their son and brother Private Johnny who is stationed at nearby Fort Carson. They visited the Colorado School on They visited the Colorado School on Friday, and Mr. Kirkey kindly showed them around. They enjoyed meeting the Frank Galluzzos, M. Cunningham, and Thomas Fishler, all instructors at the school, and also their old college mate, George Culbertson, who is an instructor and assistant coach there this year.

Mrs. Leslie Hinnant of Wilmington, Mrs. Leslie Hinnant of Wilmington, N. C., stopped over briefly in Fort Dodge and Manson, Iowa, with relatives September 21. With son Wendell she was enroute home, having been called to North Dakota by the illness and death of her mother, Mrs. Ottaway on September 17.

way, on September 17.

Gloria Darrah, a '58 graduate of ISD, has enrolled in a business course including IBM training in her hometown, Newton. There are a number of ISD girls who have office positions in Des Moines, and all are doing well. Among them are Paula Forsythe, Maurine Reinwand, Margaret Anderson, and Dorothy Brown.

Roger McConnell of Council Bluffs had as his guest Mr. Lorch, a college friend from New Jersey, at the parental home for the holidays. We hope they had a safe motor trip back despite the zero weather and snow which came relentlessly about New New Years'

Lloyd Courter, son of the Hugh Courters of Des Moines and a student at the State University of Iowa, accompanied the Iowa students as a student advisor on the trip to California for the Rose Bowl game. John Chandler, of Ladora, went by train December 25 with the "I" Club to attend the game and was scheduled to return January 4.

Mrs. Albert Root (Edna Mae Downing) of Lancaster, Calif., made a brief stopover with her parents in Council Bluffs last November enroute to Columbus, Ohio, where her husband at-tended an employer-sponsored school for several months. Her many friends were sorry to have missed seeing her.

Mrs. Ed Humphreys of Sioux City is confined to the University Hospital, Iowa City, and slowly improving. Joseph Stigall, who has been hospitalized there since his auto accident last spring, was able to go home for the holidays but was to return for further care and treatment in January.

On December 16 Mrs. Harold Kinkade (Mabel Livingston) underwent surgery at Allen Memorial Hospital in Waterloo to free a bulging disc. She had been confined to the hospital since November 25 for observation and treatment. Her mother is helping with the family at home. Mabel has a host of friends who are wishing her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Froehle, nee Eleanor Adams, who reside in Des Moines, welcomed a third son, Gary Joseph, on January 2. They also have a little daughter.

Linda Joyce is the name of the new daughter of Dan and Phyllis Hill born December 20. This makes three little girls to enjoy the home they purchased last month.

MISSOURI . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Mario Benedet of Los Angeles visited his sister, Santina Hambel, for three weeks in Kansas City during October. The mother of Mario and Santina had been very ill for several years and passed away on October 31. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolfe's daughter was sent home from the Missouri School for the Deaf on November 14 because of an infection on her leg which was the result of an accident on October 5. She has since returned to school after treatment at home.

Three baby boys made their debuts November: Mr. and Mrs. Thaine Maelzer of Millstadt, Illinois, have a second child, named Kevin Allen. born have a November 18; Mr. and Mrs. Claude West of St. Louis greeted their first child named Kerry Von on November 25; and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thompson are the parents of a son born in Kansas City on November 29 and named David

Francis. Congrats.
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hyde moved into their new home on November 22 up in North Kansas City. They are as excited as can be as this is their first real home in their ten years of mar-

riage. Congratulations.

Willie Dillenschneider was involved in an accident when his 1957 Dodge was hit by another car on a rainy afternoon in November. The insurance took care of the damage done to the right side of the car.

Bill Priem met with a bad accident at his place of work in a lumber yard on November 26. His index finger was deeply cut, and it took 40 stitches and two and one half days in the hospital. His co-worker met with a worse accident two hours after Bill was taken to the hospital; he lost two fingers at an electric saw.

New officers of the Heart of America New officers of the Heart of America Club of the Deaf are: James Rupard, president, and Carl Wear, secretary. William Eades was elected president of the Kansas City Frats, Div. No. 31, with Carl Wear, too, as his secretary. Mrs. Carl Wear became president of the Aux-Frats.

Jack Barron of Council Bluffs, Iowa, has been seen often at the socials in Kansas City and Olathe. Could it be a new girl friend?

MONTANA . . .

The Billings Silent Club elected the following to serve for 1959: Buddy Evans, president; Bob Breshears, vice president; Mrs. Ernest Cundy, secre-tary; Ongeborg Nerhus, treasurer; Ernest Cundy, chairman; and Claude Campbell, trustee. The board of directors are busy working on a new constitution and bylaws and hope to improve the club in time.

The Bob Breshearses (nee Ramna

Jensen) became parents of their first child, a boy, on October 2. Clayton Allen is the name.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson are now "Pa" and "Ma" to a baby girl. They have named her Linda Rose-maria. She was born on September 8,

weighing in at 7 lb. 7 oz. Congratula-

tions to the proud parents.

The Montana Association of the Deaf held its twenty-third biennial convention at Missoula, concluding with a banquet at Hotel Florence. The MAD agreed to grant an honorary life membership to John Clark, a deaf sculptor and also an Indian. He has been a faithful attendant at every MAD convention. Officers to serve new terms are: Darwin Younggren of Great Falls, president (re-elected); Lyle Olsen of Bozeman, vice president; Richard McCarthy of Butte, secretary; and Walter Herbold of Hingham, treasurer (reelected). The 1960 convention will be in Bozeman.

The Great Falls Club of the Deaf held its annual picnic last August 3 at Ryan Dam. The picnic was very successful with a fine crowd. Officers of the club for the new term are: Richard Eide, president; Harold Johnson, vice president; Richard Mullins. secretary; and Edward Czernicki, treas-

urer.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Altop were honored at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn I. Harris on September 21 Mr. Altop has well-earned his retirement after 42 years of service at the Montana School for the Deaf. Many nice gifts were received. The Altops have bought

a new '58 Oldsmobile.

The Montana Lutheran Lay Deaf held a two-day conference at the Rockhaven Camp in the Gallatin Canyon between Bozeman and Yellowstone National Park last August 9 and 10. Forty-one attended the camp and commented that the conference turned out splendidly in the spiritual atmosphere as well as being fun in the mountains At the business meeting is was decided to have one representative from each locale plan church activities and the conference for the next year and also to have one delegate for the North-west Lutheran Day Lay Conference. Victor Lyon was re-elected to the presidency. Mrs. Eddie Lappin was elected secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Garretson covered about 10,000 miles last sum-Mervin Garretson mer on both their Buick and their new Mercury station wagon. They took in the MAD convention at Missoula; made several trips to Wyoming; and were on the highway during most of August, driving to Phoenix, then east to Wash-ton, D. C., and New York City. Mr. Garretson also flew to Portland, Oregon the latter part of July to address the Oregon Association of the Deaf on behalf of the N.A.D. He also gave a talk at the banquet of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf at Pittsburgh. It was Mrs. Garretson's first trip east, and she was pleasantly surprised at the greenness of the country there and enjoyed Gall-audet College and meeting Senator Mike Mansfield at the Capitol.

NEW YORK . . .

The Civic Association of the Deaf was organized Sunday, November 23. Hyman Rubin was the temporary chairman, and Max Friedman was the pro-tem secretary. A committee was then picked to work on the constitution and bylaws. There was a long discussion, and reasons were given why this CAD should be formed. Mr. LaCrosse, Garretson also flew to Portland, Oregon,, the latter part of July to address the attorney, Mr. Friedman, Albert Berke, Robert A. Halligan, Hyman Friedman, Albert Friedman, Hyman need an organization to be "heard" in New York City.

Thanksgiving weekend saw many cial activities. The Union League social activities. gave its annual Thanksgiving Eve Literary Night. Al Berke spoke about his Alaskan trip; Sylvan Riley, of Mt. Vernon, talked about Bill Craut, the founder of General Motors; and Ben Frumin told about a man who lost his sight, hearing, legs, and arms in the war and how this person survived and now communicates with the outside world.

There was a captioned movie "Fuller Brush Girl," a hilarious film starring Lucille Ball and Eddie Albert.

Betty and Alan Krieger were guests recently at the home of Adele and Pete Shuart. They had a good time seeing old friends and hope to see them in January when they become New York residents.

Pete Shuart had a surprise birthday party at his home given by his wife. He received nice gifts.

Issac Pakula entered his manhood by celebrating his bar mitzvah. The food was delicious and abundant. Each guest

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The Legal Column

By Lowell J. Myers Attorney at Law

Your Federal Income Tax

Before long is will be time to make up your Federal income tax return for the year 1958. During the past few weeks a number of people have asked me: "Should I try to figure out all of my special deductions, or should I just take the standard 10% deduction and let it go at that?"

Of course, there is no easy answer to this question. The only thing you can do is to figure out the tax both ways and find out which way is better

If you own your own home, you will usually be better off to itemize your deductions because you will probably have a lot of interest expense and property tax on your home, and these are deductible items.

The important thing to remember is that if you are going to itemize your deductions you should be sure to list all of them. When you deduct the property taxes on your home, do not forget to deduct the other taxes that you have paid. In many states, sales taxes, gasoline taxes, cigarette taxes, automobile license fees, etc., are all deductible.

When you deduct the interest expense on your home mortgage, do not forget to deduct other interest payments such as interest on automobile payments; interest on time-payments on furniture or clothing; or any kind of charge accounts.

When you deduct your medical expenses, keep in mind that not only doctor bills but also payments to your dentist and to your oculist are deductible. Payments for hospitalization in-

surance premiums (Blue Cross, etc.), payments for x-rays, hearing aid batteries, new glasses, speech training for deaf children, and a great many other things are deductible. You are even allowed to deduct the carfare that you spent in going to see the doctor.

There are hundreds of other possible deductions. For example, if your home was damaged by a storm or a flood, the loss is deductible. If anything was stolen from you during the year, you can deduct the value of that article. If you have an automobile accident, the damage to your car may be deductible. A fee paid to an employment agency is deductible. Alimony payments are deductible. Part or all of your union dues may be deducted.

You can deduct the contributions that you made to your church and to many different kinds of charities and non-profit organizations, including the contributions that you made to the N.A.D.

Some people have told me that they know that they have a lot of deductions (more than 10% of their gross income) but they never bother to itemize them on their tax return because it is "too much trouble." This is rather foolish. If you can get a refund of \$50 or \$100 by itemizing your deductions, do not hesitate to do it.

If you have your tax return made up by a tax expert, ask him to give you a copy of the return and then keep this copy and study it. It will give you ideas as to what kind of bills and receipts you should keep in the future. Don't forget that anything you pay to a tax expert will be deductible, too, in the following year.

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received a souvenir of a small Torah with his picture, the menu, and the guests' names printed.

The Golden Tornadoes had a Thanksgiving party for members and their children November 30. The Sisterhood of the HAD had a Chanukah Party for the children and grandchildren of the members. members.

members.
Albert Hlibok's friends missed him during the weekend of November 15. He made a surprise visit to his wife, Margaret, who is finishing her last semester at Gallaudet. Much to our surprise, he went by bus. He is not living in a jet age. There they saw the Calder Tornadoes play against the Golden Tornadoes play against the DCCD at Gallaudet's new gymnasium. Dr. Elstad has expressed the wish that this attendance should be continued. The result was 59-54 for the DCCD. There were some new players on the GTAC team.

GTAC team.
Ruth and Alan Sussman, Al Berke (the manager of the GTAC), Howard Feltzin, and Joanne Blackhurst witnessed this spectacular game.
November 22 saw the Pelicans beat GTAC, and Bridgeport beat UL, thus opening the basketball season in New York City.

OREGON . . .

A photograph of Romeo Dare, Portland and a graduate of OSD, appeared in the November 23 edition of the Sunday Oregonian. Romeo posed with the seven-point antler spread of an 852-pound elk he shot at Tollgate, Ore., and when dressed the elk weighed in at 569 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. James McKnight welcomed a baby girl the end of last sum-mer and named her Deborah Lee. The McKnights have one other child, Jimmy, aged five.

Clyde Ketchum is working in printing shop up in Seattle, Wash., and we hear that Carl Bascue is employed in a plant that prints paper containers while Mrs. Bascue and the three chil-dren are living down in Modesto, Calif. Glen Welch is employed at the Oregon School this year as a boys' houseparent, and Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Bernstein (nee Audrenne Ross) are making their home down in Riverside, Calif., where Seymour is employed at the Riverside School for the Deaf as a houseparent.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fleck, after living at Tillamook for eight years, have moved to Portland where they are making their home. Ray is working for the Oregonian as a sub linotyper. Sev-eral other deaf men are also employed at the same place, and Charles Beers is amongst the latest to join them.

amongst the latest to join them.

The 1959 officers serving the Rose City Club of the Deaf are: Herman Bain, president; Carl Verwiebe, vice president; George Eversaul, secretary; Carl Johnson, treasurer; Elnora Johnson, financial secretary; R. Akisson, sergeant; Willis Van Roekel, liaision officer; Lynn Cabe, house manager; Arthur Larson, Mrs. Walter Lauer, and Willis Van Roekel, trustees.

Roberta and Linda, daughters of Mr.

and Mrs. Robert Travis (nee Virginia Stack), of Gustine, California, are enrolled at the University of Oregon as a junior and a freshman, respectively.

Residents of the State of Oregon may Residents of the State of Oregon may send news items for this column to either Mrs. Alice Spath, 2340 N. Win-chell Street, Portland 17, Oregon, or to Estelle Lange, 1440 Marshall Drive, Salem, Oregon. We welcome as many correspondents from each state as are

Roaming the Range With El Gaucho

By TROY E. HILL -

DALLAS

"Where we build for the future others think only of today."

The Dallas of today has reached undreamed of proportions, ever since the death of Mrs. Bryan. The "City of Charms of Yesteryear and the Spirit of Tomorrow" is looked upon as an industrial right. trial giant, wholesale and manufactur-ing center, financial center, quality retailing center, one of the largest insurance centers in the nation, air capital of the Southwest, rich farming territory, railroad center, communica-tions center, and one of the greatest convention towns in the United States.

One of the first things a visitor to Dallas should see is John Neely Bryan's cabin located on the courthouse lawn. As picturesque as the day it was built, little cabin lends great contrast as one looks at it and then scans the great skyscrapers which surround it. . . .

So my friends, make your plans now to attend the 1960 N.A.D. convention in the City of Big D., July 2-9, 1960. We'll be wating for you.

Mrs. Robert K. Baird (Edith McFarland) of Detroit, Mich., was home early in December because of the death of her father in nearby Rowlett. She is a sister of Mrs. Pearl Everett, who continues to reside in Rockwall. Edith is back in Detroit now, and her husband Robert will be eligible for retirement before this comes out. They tirement before this comes out. They plan to settle somewhere where the sun shines bright after his retirement.

Since last story several more deaf hunters have bagged deer. Jerry Mikus got an eight-pointer, and Lester Tom-linson finally came through with the linson finally came through with the biggest kill of the season, a twelve-pointer. Poor old Doyle Kerr still has not had any luck though although he is one of the more faithful devotees and goes to the hunting camp nearly every weekend. Maybe the deer don't like Doyle.

Virgil Gray, a long time Dallasite now residing in California, is home for surgery. Virgil's brother is a doctor here, and perhaps he feels safer to have one of the family do the carving. Mrs. Gray (Thelma Dyer) accompanied him.

The following articles appeared in Dallas papers just before Christmas

this year. We deny we ever said we had a 30-pound turkey, much less having one in our icebox. The truth of the matter is the manager of the store where we bought the 12-foot icebox told that story to the repair men. box told that story to the repair men to get them to come out and open the box for us, as they generally took their own sweet time doing it, and we got it open Christmas Eve.

Blowtorch Might Help

Troy E. Hill of 5329 Belmont had a problem Tuesday.

Mr. Hill said he has 30 relatives coming for turkey dinner Christmas.

That's not the problem, however.

The problem is a 30-pound turkey inside his refrigerator. The handle of the refrigerator broke off Monday, and Mr. Hill can't open the door.

Out of Icebox Into Oven For Hills' Turkey

Some 30 relatives of Troy E. Hill will have turkey dinner Christmas.

The turkey dinner was in doubt Tuesday when Mr. Hill, who lives at 5329 Belmont, reported that he could not get a 30-pound turkey out of his refrigerator because the door handle was broken.

was broken.
"I got a hundred calls from people offering to help," Mr. Hill said Wednesday. "One state legislator even called with suggestions."

Mr. Hill said a new handle was put on the refrigerator door Tuesday eve-ning while no one was at home. "May-be it was one of Santa's helpers," he

quipped Wednesday.

He'll know for sure when he gets the bill from the repairman. . . .

What tickled us most, however, was the fact that the story not only was printed in the Dallas papers, but it hit the UPI and was also on radio and TV stations for two days after. One announcer telling the story on radio played a song and between each verse he would stop the record and say "Poor Troy! Poor Troy!"

Courtney High who has been ill for some time lately is on the mend, and we hope for a complete recovery for

. . .

Miss Dorothy Schaf, of Akron, has postponed her return to Ohio until February or until the American Airlines strike is over. She recently had the Troy Hills and Miss Lucille Garrison over to her sister's home for an experience of convention and marks. evening of conversation and snacks.

James Otis Chance, Jr., of Bryan. Texas, was the house guest of the Dick Myerses during the Christmas-New Year's weekends.

The Dallas Silent Club's annual New Year's Eve dance drew only 150 paid admissions this year due to the fact that three different church groups held watch parties the same night.

Eduards Laivins, our American citizen who came over from Latvia in 1951, has been making quite a name for himself as a top-notch machinist and also as an advisor and helper with the Youth Movement at SMU, where he advises them on problems concerning rocket ships, etc. His son George goes along and interprets for him.

SPORTING AROUND

With Art Kruger

deserved a chance, and Sammy Baugh

and his staff are the first to admit that they are delighted with the out-

come of their gamble. They visualized

Gridiron Greatness is Destined for Sammy Oates

Five years ago in 1954 as a freshman at the Texas School for the Deaf he landed on the Southwest Academic League's all-state first team at halfback. Now as a freshman at Hardin-



ART KRUGER

Simmons University he was named to the All-Border Conference first team at end, lacking only one vote of being unanimous, and was on the Associated Press honorable mention All-American list.

He's Sammy Oates, a 6-0, 210-pound specimen of perfect physical fitness, who has made a sensational debut for Hardin-Simmons' Cowboys the recent season and has proved that deeds, not words, measure athletic success.

Becoming a starter for a major college such as Hardin-Simmons while only a freshman is something almost unheard of in football circles. But that's what the sensational product of our schools for the deaf has accomplished since joining the team last September 1.

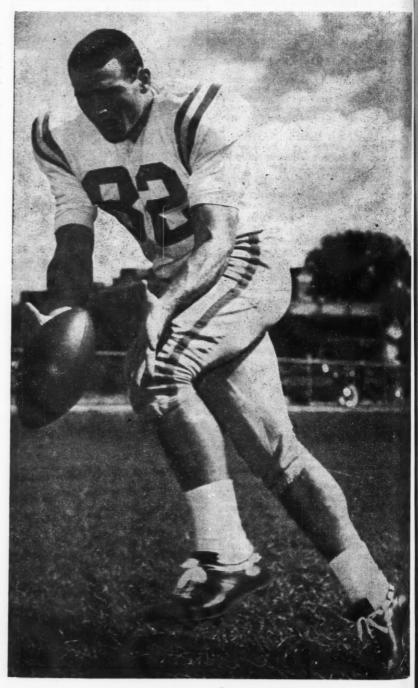
Sammy came to Hardin-Simmons last fall not entirely unheralded. He had gained national recognition as a five-sport performer for the Austin school and later competed in the International Games for the Deaf at Milan, Italy. Because of his handicap, very few schools gave him a second look when he was planning to enter college.

Hearing of Oates' athletic exploits while only a sophomore in high school, Cowboy coaches decided that Sammy

TALENTED DEAF COWBOY—Although he can neither speak nor hear, freshman end Sammy Oates is being lauded as the greatest prospect at Hardin-Simmons University since Bulldog Turner. Oates, a 19-year-old from the Texas School for the Deaf at Austin, came to Hardin-Simmons as a freshman this year and was moved to the varsity the first week. He was named to the All-Border Conference first team at end. He was a four-year All-State of the Southwest Academic League while playing for the Austin school for the deaf. Photo courtesy of Dick Collins, Sports Publicity Director of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas.

Oates as the first Cowboy gridder to gain All-American honors since Bulldog Turner.

A quick glance at the personality gw of the Cowboy squad will prove that Oates is everything he's said to be by sports writers over the Southwes who have seen him play. He has added new life to the H-S team, not only in his football play but by his sparkling enthusiasm on the campus.





Hardin-Simmons University football strategy is transmitted to end Sammy Oates (left) by Cowboy quarterback Jim Tom Butler in the huddle. It's worked out well for all concerned, because Oates stands eighth in major college pass receiving statistics during the 1958 campaign, catching 31 passes for 402 yards.

Although he can neither speak nor hear, Sammy has made an indelible impression on his teammates and classmates. The speaking barrier is a thing of the past, and those who haven't learned the sign alphabet manage to convey their thoughts on paper. And a lady, who is the assistant manager of the snack bar at Hardin-Simmons, wrote Coach Ray Butler of the Texas School for the Deaf asking him to send her about 26 copies of the manual alphabet for the deaf so as to distribute them among her employees so that they might learn to better help Sammy Oates and become greater friends with him. That lady said that she has become able to understand Sammy so far when he comes in to buy something but would like to learn his language.

Carrying out his plays on the field has been no problem for Oates, the coaches, and the team. A look into his glistening eyes will show you that the ever-active Oates has an abundance of brains as well as brawn.

THE SILENT WORKER All-America footballer was issued his equipment September 1. Two days later he was alternating at left end for the varsity, and when the season was over he was one of the pass receiving leaders of the team, the conference, and the nation. The freshman end finished the campaign by catching 31 passes for

402 yards to rank second in the Border Conference and in the top ten receivers in the nation.

Oates played tailback in the singlewing for the Texas School for the Deaf but was shifted to end at Hardin-Simmons because, Baugh said, "Sammy would make us an outstanding back, but due to difficulty in making adjustments for his handicap in timing we feel he is best suited for an end."

Oates was the first of the H-S freshmen candidates to learn his plays, and that in itself is quite a feat since the Cowboys use an intricate pro-style offense. Sammy received his plays in the huddle by the sign language from the quarterback, and he gets the snap signals by watching the ball and the team move out.

Baugh calls Oates the finest pass receiver on the team. "He has all the requirements—size, quickness, and a fine pair of hands," says the H-S head coach. Baugh ought to know ends, for he's thrown at them enough, and he was the old pro, the all-time passing leader in the National Football League.

Because of his great natural ability the H-S freshman is also being watched by coaches of other sports. In high school Sammy averaged 18 points a game in basketball at the guard position while being named to SW's AllAmerica last year; he was the top pitcher and catcher for the baseball team; he set diving records on the swimming team and placed third in both the shot put and the javelin at the recent Milan Games.

Sammy's parents are Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Oates. His father is vice president of an insurance company in Austin. His parents saw almost every game the Cowboys played the past season.

Oates is now preparing for the Sun Bowl game in El Paso on December 31 which matches Hardin-Simmons against the University of Wyoming.

Now take a glance at the 1958 season record of Hardin-Simmons as well as the All-Border Conference first first team:

H-SU	Opp.
14—University of Tulsa	0
7—Baylor University	14
6-Louisiana State University	20
14-Arizona State University	6
0-University of Mississippi	24
13—Wichita University	6
14—Texas Western College	6
15-University of Arkansas	60
26-West Texas State College	6
26—New Mexico A&M	20
135 Won 6, Lost 4	162

All-Border Conference
End—Bill Spanko, Arizona State
End—SAMMY OATES, Hardin-Sim.
Tackle—Ted Edmondson, Hardin-Sim.
Tackle—Bill Locklin, N. M. A&M
Guard—Joe Biggs, Hardin-Simmons
Guard—Jerry Epps, West Texas State
Center—Pool Webb, Texas Western
Back—John Hangartner, Arizona St.
Back—Leon Burton, Arizona State
Back—Joe Kelly, New Mexico A&M
Back—Pete Hart, Hardin-Simmons

Sammy has learned to accept and ignore his handicap while getting the most from an athletic talent that is truly outstanding.

Even if Gallaudet had Sammy Oates, his talent would not be better utilized like they have been by Sammy Baugh, THE MASTER.

Sammy has been a tremendous help to the Hardin-Simmons University, not only footballwise, but in bringing the student body together in Christian love and fellowship with one another. Because of this and his sensational play during the past season, Sammy Oates gets our vote for AAAD's Athlete of the Year for 1958.

Don't you agree that our selection has much to justify it?

AAAD Celebrates 15th Anniversary At Atlanta

The annual AAAD National Basketball Tournament will get underway for the 15th time in Atlanta, Ga., April 2-3-4, 1959.

This is a gigantic production.

It's the nation's largest sports tournament for the deaf staged by the nation's largest sports organization of the deaf. The American Athletic Association of the Deaf now has a membership of some 100 clubs of the deaf or, in the breakdown, a membership of some 1,000 basketball players.

By the way, let's all help the AAAD celebrate its 15th anniversary by attending the 1959 classic at Atlanta, the "New York of the South."

With a deep bow to the AAAD for the fine work it is doing for the adult deaf of America we'd like to talk a bit this month about football and training.

We're just old-fashioned enough to feel that neither drinking nor smoking should be condoned during the grid season. And this applies to preps, pros, or collegians.

RUGGED GAME . . .

Football, when played to the hilt, is a rugged, exciting game. No player can give his best unless he trains diligently.

Many years ago a school for the deaf athlete broke training. His father requested that we ask the coach to reinstate the boy, knowing that we knew the coach pretty well.

"Art," said the coach, "I'd like nothing better than to grant your request, but if I did it would be an open invitation to every boy on my squad to break training. I'm sorry, but I can't do it." And he didn't.

Those of us who have participated in sports know full well what real training means. From rigorous conditioning you gain considerably more than physical fitness. This is why the wise coach insists that no training rules be violated. Having been through the mill, he knows that no player can do his best unless in top condition.

Long ago men far wiser than we talked about the value of sports and training . . .

"Sport is best carried on for sport's sake, but if you plan and aim and work to win, using everything that you have, the sport's sake will take care of itself. Dirty playing is first of all inefficient If you take time in a game to try some side trick on an opponent, you are deliberately neglecting a lot of important matters that

you have been told to use. To break training is the lowest form of robbing yourself and also your team of your highest performance; nothing short of your highest performance will do."

-PERCY D. HAUGHTON

SEVERE STANDARDS ...

"Football is essentially a game of severe moral and mental standards. No dullard can play the game successfully. Early in his career a football player will develop a degree of selfreliance which probably no other sport in the world would incalculate. He will acquire another and even more valuable quality-self-control. Whatever the provocation, he must never lose his temper, never let his attention be drawn from the play. No game tries the temper as does football. To promptness of decision and self-restraint, the player must also add courage. He must have it to start with, and he will find that he has more of it as the season advances."

—WALTER CAMP
"In short, in life, as in a football
game, the principle to follow is: Hit
the line hard; don't foul and don't

shirk, but hit the line hard."

—THEODORE ROOSEVELT TEST OF CHARACTER . . .

"Sports are a most excellent device with which to test a man's character."
—OLAUS MANGUS, Archbishop of Upsala (born 1490).

"Physical recreation is a restorative to the mind of a student."—GEORGE ABBOT, Archbishop of Canterbury (1562-1633).

"He who has a weak constitution becomes stronger by exercise than a robust man without it."—XENOPHON.

"After serious matters, let us indulge in a season of sports."—HORACE.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."—SAINT PAUL.

P.S.: Watch for our annual football story in the next issue of The SILENT WORKER. It's terrific!

Chicago Wins First Invitational Basketball Meet

Chicago Club of the Deaf won the first annual Camp for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing sponsored tourney by defeating the Erie Silent Club, formerly the Buffalo (N. Y.) Club of the Deaf, and the Milwaukee Silent Club cagers on November 29.

A last minute change from the long planned single elimination tourney was made necessary due to the fact that a snowstorm and an accident prevented invited Beaver Valley Association of the Deaf, the 1958 AAAD champion, from making the trip. Instead, the round robin method was used. Chicago had to go all the way in overtime to defeat Erie, 70-67, and again in overtime to beat Milwaukee, long at thorn in their sides, 46-42, to be as sured of the first place award.

Erie finished second with one win in three games, while hapless Miwaukee finished last with no wins in their two encounters.

Smiling Kevin Milligan of Eric captured the Most Valuable Player award and the other for making the most points—58 in three games.

After the games all fans and other jammed the Chicago Club of the Deal in the Chicago "Loop" for the awarding of trophies and a floor show-dance

A nice profit was realized in this initial sports venture promoted by William ("Moose") Schyman, former DePaul University player, and Leonard Warshawsky. All proceeds have been put into the Camp Fund. A goal of \$15,000.00 has been set to help establish a camp for the deaf and hard of hearing boys and girls either in Wisconsin or Northern Michigan.

Results: Chicago 70, Erie 67 Erie 48, Milwaukee 40 Chicago 46, Milwaukee 42 Chicago 53, Erie 45

The Camp for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Foundation came into being in July, 1958, after a great deal of planning on the part of the Board of Directors. The main purpose is to give children with hearing difficulties the full benefits of camp life that their normal brothers and sisters have. This camp is to be non-profit and non-sectarian.

Besides the regular camp activities such as sports—softball, basketball, swimming, horseback riding, and crafts—the children will be given practice in speech and lip-reading where necessary. Efforts will be made to instill confidence in the child so that they may be able to associate with normal campers later on.

The Camp Board of Directors is composed of William Schyman, Jr., director; Miss Elberta Pruitt, principal of Bell Day School for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; Rev. David Walsh, CSS.R, priest for the Catholic Deaf and Hard of Hearing of Chicago; Nathan H. Schwartz, Chicago civil leader; Robert Dunne; Gerald Saltzberg, legal advisor; Morton Kaplan, camp public relations; Leonard Warshawsky; Raymond Meyer, coach of DePaul University, camp advisor; and Dr. Samuel Ryan, camp physician.

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Right y'all are!! Wouldn't miss it for the world. Heard they are making it an affair for the whole family -My wife is right behind me. ATLANTA, here I come!!



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